ROUND 27

PERTH GLORY

		PG Games	PG Goals	NSL Games	NSL Goals
1	Jason PETKOVIC	53	0	208	0
2	Robert TRAJKOVSKI	73	4	159	6
3	Jamie HARNWELL	77	10	77	10
4	Ljubo MILICEVIC	23	3	24	3
5	Vinko BULJUBASIC	61	1	148	4
6	Gareth NAVEN (c)	132	6	144	6
7	Scott MILLER	136	13	185	16
8	Brad MALONEY	13	3	250	65
9	Alistair EDWARDS	62	23	142	33
10	Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	125	56	148	66
11	Kasey WEHRMAN	31	1	83	7
13	Anthony DANZE	0	0	0	0
14	Dion VALLE	33	0	33	0
15	Edgar ALDRIGHI JR	57	1	57	1
16	Damian MORI	23	16	322	164
17	Gary FARIA	21	3	21	3
18	Shane PRYCE	19	1	148	18
19	John CARBONE	46	3	46	3
20	Tony FRANKEN	39	0	278	0
21	PJ ROBERTS	7	0	44	1
22	Antonio NAGLIERI	0	0	0	0
23	Craig DEANS	28	1	64	2
24	Aaron COLE	1	0	1	0
25	Todd HARNWELL	1	0	1	0
26	Nick MRDJA	3	0	6	0
30	Tommi TOMICH	0	0	0	0

Coach – Bernd STANGE
Dev. Manager – Mich d'AVRAY

MELBOURNE KNIGHTS

		MK Games	MK Goals	NSL Games	NSL Goals
1	Martin JOHN	39	0	39	0
2	Daniel VASILEVSKI	7	0	19	1
3	Rody VARGAS	49	1	49	1
4	Sasa OGNENOVSKI	21	0	21	0
5	Jason VUKADIN	58	2	58	2
6	Joey RAHJER	66	2	66	2
7	Josip KOZIC	2	0	2	0
8	Dragi NASTEVSKI	102	1	102	1
9	Joel PORTER	25	10	45	13
10	Ivan ZELIC	5	0	71	2
11	Xhezair SULEMANI	12	1	12	1
12	Michael BOSEVSKI	5	0	5	0
13	Antun KOVACIC	11	0	11	0
14	Paul MAGDIC	47	3	47	3
15	Ransford BANINI	93	3	125	4
16	Alex KIRATZOGLOU	76	7	94	9
18	Andy VARGAS	22	3	85	9
19	Anthony PELIKAN	22	2	22	2
20	Lupce ACEVSKI	30	0	30	0
21	Zoltan ZOLD	13	0	13	0
22	Toto DA COSTA	20	11	20	11
23	Steve HORVAT	98	6	122	7
24	Harry MATKOVIC	7	0	7	0
25	Adrian CERVINSKI	108	54	139	60
26	Andrew MARTH (c)	208	41	336	60
27	Ivan JOLIC	61	2	61	2
28	Lubo LAPSANSKY	94	7	182	15

Coach – Andrew MARTH

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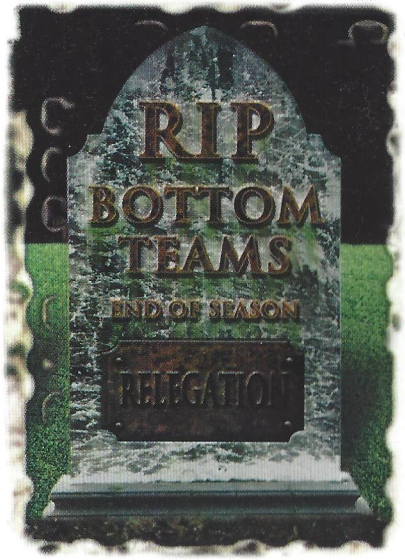
EDITORIAL

SHOULD WE PROMOTE RELEGATION?

Besides the Glory's clash with Melbourne Knights this evening, there are a couple of other vital games in Round 27 of the NSL, with Sydney Olympic hosting leaders South Melbourne and Wollongong travelling to rock-bottom Eastern Pride.



Then there are other matches where the results are absolutely meaningless except to the few hundred loyal fans that turn up week-in, week-out to cheer on their team.

It happens every season and it's usually the same clubs involved year after year. With all due respects to the likes of Eastern Pride and Canberra Cosmos, what do they really have to play for after the first few rounds of each campaign when it becomes obvious they're not going to feature in the play-offs?

Some sort of second division with promotion and relegation would at least lead to these meaningless fixtures late in the season taking on some relevance. That's not to say every game would have huge stakes riding on it, but a good proportion of them could take on far greater significance. Nearly everywhere else in the world has a promotion and relegation system of some sort and how often do you see it – matches between relegation contenders turn out to be absolute thrillers. Sure, the quality of soccer on display may not be top class, but for pure, edge of the seat entertainment and tension, they're often hard to beat, purely because of what's at stake. And it's this sort of nail-biting action that might attract fans to the game, or at least keep existing supporters of those clubs coming through the turnstiles and feeling their players are actually playing for something, instead of almost going through the motions, which is virtually what's happening at the moment.

Teams fighting to retain their place in the league also have an obvious incentive to lift against the top sides and you'll often see a battler have a big say in where the championship goes in other countries by producing an upset or two near the end of a long, hard campaign. That's not to say Eastern Pride won't have caused Wollongong problems earlier today, but can you imagine the increase in their intensity if they knew they had to get some sort of result to avoid being relegated. As it is, they probably won't be in the NSL next season anyway, but it's amazing what desperation and fighting qualities come out when survival is at stake.

Of course, there will be plenty of mid-table clashes that are still meaningless and there will still be potential "six-pointers" that turn out to be dull fizzers, but at least there's the potential for more interest and perhaps bigger crowds as a result.

But there are a couple of questions you'd have to ask about setting up a second division here in Australia. Firstly, are there enough quality players and coaches to field 12 or 14 teams in a "first division", let alone a second one? Also, the travelling costs of taking a squad of 15 players, coaches and support staff away every second week would obviously double and Soccer Australia aren't exactly having to stay up late at night to count all their money at the moment, so they would be in dire straits if attendances didn't rise substantially.

It could be argued that crowds for second division matches might be small, particularly for the less successful clubs, but then how many sides in the lower reaches of the NSL are regularly pulling much more than 2,000-2,500?

It would also give new, and potentially more viable clubs with bigger support bases a greater and fairer opportunity to work their way into the country's top league if they were good enough and well-enough managed. They wouldn't simply be handed a walk-up position without having to "earn their stripes" and at least go some way towards showing they could survive off the pitch, as well as on it.

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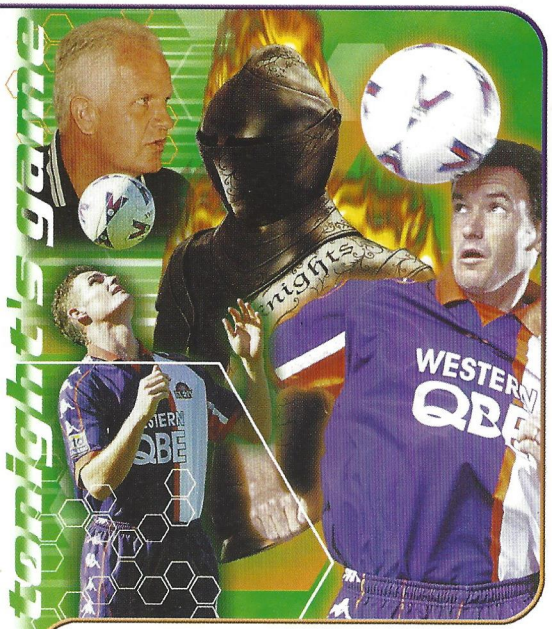
GLORY SET TO BATTLE KNIGHTS



Think Melbourne Knights at Perth Oval and it conjures up memories of Scott Miller's astonishing last-minute winner when the Victorian side took on Perth Glory for the first time in the NSL in December, 1996.

Miller's long-range dipper, which just squeezed under the crossbar after flying over the head of keeper Joe Didulica, gave the Glory a 3-2 win in front of what was then a ground record crowd of 14,759.

The goal was replayed on TV for weeks, with Miller running around the pitch doing the impression of a plane with arms outstretched.

It capped a remarkable game, with two male streakers halting proceedings in the second half and Glory wing-back Dale Wingell being sent off after 78 minutes. Goals from Paul McVittie and Vas Kalogeracos had put the Glory two up before a double strike from Adrian Cervinski levelled for the visitors.

The Knights managed what was for them sweet revenge at home when they came from a goal behind to beat the Glory 3-1 in the final regular season fixture to pip the Perth side for the last spot in the top six play-offs.

The intensity of the rivalry hasn't diminished...and tonight's contest is not expected to be any different as both battle to consolidate their positions in the top six.

There has never been much between the sides...except on one occasion last season when the Glory recovered from an indifferent start to its home campaign by thumping the Knights 6-1 in November, 1999.

Miller again scored the last goal, although this time it didn't have the same dramatic impact with the Glory being well in command after two goals each from Alistair Edwards and Ivan Ergic and one from Con Boutsianis.

The prolific Adrian Cervinski was again the Knights scorer.

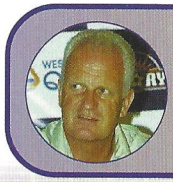
This season's clash at the Knights formidable fortress at Somer Street resulted in a 1-1 draw with the Glory jumping to the lead after 12 minutes when Ljubo Milicevic made a dart from the back to thump the ball home. Toto Da Costa equalised five minutes later.

Da Costa has made a big name for himself this season with 11 goals and he will doubtless keep the Glory's defence on its toes again tonight. He scored in the Knights 1-1 draw with Adelaide City Force last weekend, a result that enabled the Melbourne side to tighten its hold on fifth spot on the ladder.

The Glory, after the bitter disappointment of losing away to Newcastle United, bounced back last Saturday with a gutsy 2-0 win over Marconi in Sydney with goals from Alistair Edwards and Gary Faria.

By Mel Moffat
of *The West Australian*

The Coaches' Thoughts On Tonight's Big Match:



Bernd STANGE: "Only three points is acceptable for us, because we drew in Melbourne."

Andrew MARTH: "Perth is a daunting opponent at home. It is an excellent team who is peaking at the right end of the season. The team will need to be at its best to bring back the points to Melbourne."

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Guest Tipper
Perth Glory 3-1

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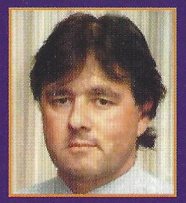
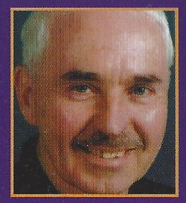
Perth Glory 2-0



Richard Kreider
Perth Glory 2-1



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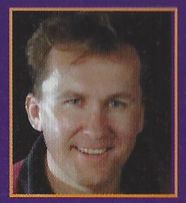
Perth Glory 3-2



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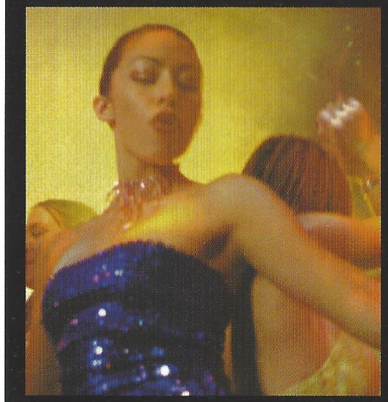

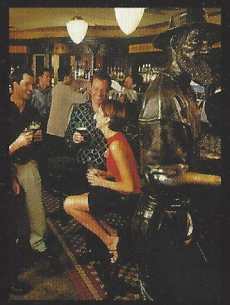

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LAST ROUND IN REVIEW

MARCONI STALLIONS 0 PERTH GLORY 2

Perth Glory climbed to second spot on the table with a well-deserved win over fellow championship contenders Marconi Stallions. The home side did the early attacking but it was the Glory who took the lead after 14 minutes when Alistair Edwards calmly slotted the ball past Michael Turnbull after good work from Bobby Despotovski. Ljubo Milicevic's 40-yard rocket cannoned off the bar, then the big defender blasted the ball into the side netting but teammate Gary Faria made no mistake, finishing brilliantly from a quickly-taken free-kick to make it 2-0 on the stroke of half-time. The visitors had two strong penalty claims in the second half and Nick Mrdja and John Carbone both wasted golden chances, while for Marconi, Brendan Renaud went closest, his thumping drive crashing off the woodwork.

SOUTH MELBOURNE 3 SYDNEY UNITED 1

Con Boutsianis stole the show as South Melbourne extended their lead at the top of the table with a comfortable 3-1 victory over Sydney United in a match brought forward to allow Souths' four Socceroos to take part. The championship favourites started strongly and took the lead after just six minutes when Andy Vlahos headed Vas Kalogeracos' pinpoint cross past Brett Hughes. United equalised against the run of play when Cummins Menapi scored from close range after Michael Petkovic had blocked Nahvel Arrarte's effort. But Boutsianis, who days earlier had escaped a jail term for his part in an armed robbery, put his side back in the driving seat, heading home Goran Lozanovski's free-kick, before Kalogeracos sealed the points after being superbly set up by Boutsianis.

WOLLONGONG WOLVES 3 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1

After a mini-slump, reigning champions Wollongong Wolves hopes of a top-two finish are well and truly back on track after a 3-1 win over Sydney Olympic, its first victory in four matches. Saso Petrovski gave the home side the lead close to half-time with a powerful header that gave keeper Bojo Jevdjevic no chance. Veteran defender Rob Stanton made it 2-0 two minutes after the interval with a close range header and the Wolves had several good chances to make sure of the points. But with 14 minutes remaining, the visitors were awarded a controversial penalty when Alvin Ceccoli was ruled to have used his arm to deflect Ante Juric's header and Pablo Cardozo converted from the spot. Then in injury-time Matt Horsley scored Wollongong's third with an unstoppable drive to seal the win.

PARRAMATTA POWER 1 FOOTBALL KINGZ 3

Football Kingz kept alive their slender chance of an inaugural finals berth and at the same time virtually ended the Power's own hopes with a convincing win at Parramatta Stadium. Once again the Kiwis' hero was Dennis Ibrahim who scored twice, following on from his hat-trick last week, to make it six goals in three games. He opened the scoring after 14 minutes with a superb header, but the Power's promising young striker, Luke Roodenburg, levelled after 31 minutes. Joe Miller almost gave the home side the lead but was denied by a brilliant point-blank save by Julio Cuello, before Ibrahim pounced on a defensive mistake to fire his side back in front. The Power desperately chased an equaliser but Andreas Bluhm secured victory for the visitors with a goal deep into injury time.

MELBOURNE KNIGHTS 1 ADELAIDE CITY FORCE 1

Melbourne Knights remain on track for a play-off berth but failed to stitch up their position in the top six after drawing 1-1 with Adelaide. Knights skipper Andrew Marth had the first real shot at goal, a 25-yard rocket that Lupce Acevski did well to tip over, but four minutes later teammate Toto Da Costa put the home side in front with his eleventh goal of the season, rising unchallenged to head home a corner. The Force bounced back and were level nine minutes later when Lucas Pantelis finished well after being put through brilliantly by Brad Hassell. Both teams fought desperately for a second-half winner but it remained locked at 1-1, the result doing little for Adelaide's hopes of playing in an eleventh successive finals series, as they remain in seventh position, one point behind Marconi.

CANBERRA COSMOS 7 EASTERN PRIDE 1

Canberra Cosmos thumped a gallant Eastern Pride youth team in what must go down as one of the most farcical matches ever played in the NSL. The Pride's senior squad, which hasn't been paid for six weeks, went on strike and Cosmos striker Milton Cortes started the rout after 18 minutes. Con Anthopoulos made it 2-0 with a far post header, then Cortes got his second 10 minutes after the break, converting after good work from Jon Angelucci. Angelucci was involved again, playing a neat one-two with Paul Ivanic who scored his first NSL goal. Cortes completed his hat-trick with a fine solo effort, while Ivanic's powerful drive from the edge of the area made it 6-0. Then Cortes struck again in injury-time, before Leo Trebbia scored a consolation goal for the visitors with a brilliant 35-yard lob.

BRISBANE STRIKERS 1 NORTHERN SPIRIT 1

A bit of Brazilian magic three minutes from time earned Northern Spirit a well-deserved point against fellow strugglers Brisbane. Alex Moreira curled a free-kick into the top corner after Brisbane had absorbed wave after wave of pressure from the visitors, but the game was marred by the controversial sending off of Nick Meredith with 25 minutes remaining for a second bookable offence, a handball which the veteran midfielder, who was making his 250th NSL appearance, strongly denied. Peter Grierson had earlier put the Strikers ahead after pouncing on a loose ball to fire past Paul Henderson. But the Spirit piled on the pressure and Brisbane keeper Corey Baldock made a fine save to deny Danny Watkins, then Moreira headed just wide, before salvaging a point with his late free-kick.

NEWCASTLE UNITED BYE 3-0 WIN

Newcastle United FC

NSL STATISTICS

LEAGUE TABLE AND FIXTURES

LEAGUE TABLE AFTER ROUND 26

TEAM	PL	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
South Melbourne**	26	16	5	3	53	19	59	+34
Perth Glory**	26	13	7	4	65	31	52	+34
Wollongong Wolves**	26	13	7	4	65	35	52	+30
Sydney Olympic**	26	14	4	6	49.	30	52	+19
Melbourne Knights*	26	11	6	8	52	41	42	+11
Marconi Stallions *	26	10	7	8	36	32	40	+4
Adelaide City Force**	26	9	6	9	44	45	39	–1
Football Kingz**	26	8	7	9	42	39	37	+3
Sydney United**	26	8	6	10	38	47	36	–9
Parramatta Power*	26	9	2	14	37	44	32	–7
Canberra Cosmos**	26	7	4	13	43	42	31	+1
Northern Spirit**	26	6	7	11	35	37	31	–2
Brisbane Strikers*	26	7	7	11	45	48	31	–3
Newcastle United**	26	4	8	12	28	47	26	–19
Eastern Pride**	26	3	5	16	32	49	0^	–17

* Already awarded a 3-0 win bye due to Carlton's withdrawal.

^ All points deducted due to breach of NSL regulations - subject to appeal

OTHER FIXTURES THIS ROUND

Fri 13-Apr-01	Football Kingz	V	Canberra Cosmos	Ericsson Stadium
Fri 13-Apr-01	Northern Spirit	V	Parramatta Power	North Sydney Oval
Sat 14-Apr-01	Eastern Pride	V	Wollongong Wolves	Mobil Park
Sun 15-Apr-01	Adelaide City Force	V	Brisbane Strikers	Hindmarsh Stadium
Mon 16-Apr-01	Sydney United	V	Newcastle United	Sydney United Sprts Ctr.
Wed 18-Apr-01	Sydney Olympic	V	South Melbourne	Belmore Sports Ground
	Marconi Stallions		BYE	

FIXTURES NEXT ROUND

Fri 20-Apr-01	Newcastle United	V	Marconi Stallions	Marathon Stadium
Fri 20-Apr-01	Brisbane Strikers	V	Perth Glory	Suncorp Metway Stdm.
Sat 21-Apr-01	Parramatta Power	V	Adelaide City Force	Campbelltown Sprts Grnd.
Sat 21-Apr-01	Wollongong Wolves	V	Football Kingz	WIN Stadium
Sat 21-Apr-01	Canberra Cosmos	V	Northern Spirit	Bruce Stadium
Sun 22-Apr-01	South Melbourne	V	Eastern Pride	Bob Jane Stadium
Sun 22-Apr-01	Sydney United	V	Sydney Olympic	Sydney United Sprts Ctr.
	Melbourne Knights		BYE	

NSL STATISTICS

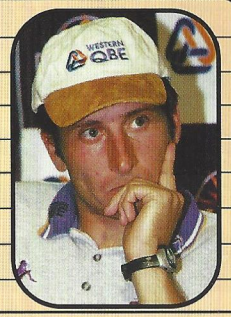
LEADING GOALSCORERS

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE'S LEADING GOALSCORERS

Player	Club	Last Week	Total
Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	Perth Glory	-	16
Damian MORI	Perth Glory	-	16
Saso PETROVSKI	Wollongong Wolves	1	15
Ben BURGESS	Northern Spirit	-	14

PERTH GLORY'S LEADING GOALSCORERS

Player	Last Week	Total
Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	-	16
Damian MORI	-	16
Jamie HARNWELL	-	5
John CARBONE	-	3
Alistair EDWARDS	1	3
Gary FARIA	1	3
Brad MALONEY	-	3
Scott MILLER	-	3



NSL STATISTICS

CROWD COMPARISON

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE CROWD COMPARISON

Round 26 (2000/2001)	**26,891**
Round 26 (1999/2000)	**27,765**
Cumulative after Round 26 (2000/2001)	**928,644**
Cumulative after Round 26 (1999/2000)	**1,076,727**

PERTH GLORY HOME CROWD COMPARISON

Perth Glory v Melbourne Knights (1999/2000)	**11,270**
Perth Glory v Melbourne Knights BEST CROWD (1998/99)	**15,482**

BOUND FOR GLORY

Date	Opponents	H/A	F-A	Att	1 Jason PETKOVIC	2 Rob TRAJKOVSKI	3 Jamie HARNWELL	4 Ljubo MILICEVIC	5 Vinko BULJUBASIC	6 Gareth NAVEN	7 Scott MILLER	8 Brad MALONEY	9 Alistair EDWARDS	10 Bobby DESPOTOVSKI	11 Kasey WEHRMAN	12 Peter BULJAN	14 Dion VALLE	15 Edgar JUNIOR	16 Damian MORI	17 Gary FARIA	18 Shane PRYCE	19 John CARBONE	20 Tony FRANKEN	21 PJ ROBERTS	23 Craig DEANS	24 Aaron COLE	25 Todd HARNWELL	26 Nick MRDJA
Sat 14 Oct	Wollongong Wolves	A	1-1	5443			4	S						Y				Y	1									
Sat 21	South Melbourne	H	1-0	14081		R						17		1	Y				Y	5								
Sun 29	Sydney United	A	1-2	5483		X	1				19	12		Y	Y	S												
Sat 4 Nov	Sydney Olympic	H	1-1	12894		X		S						1	Y	S		Y	12	4								
Sat 11	Eastern Pride	A	3-2	1846						19	Y	1				S			14 1		1	S						
Sat 18	Football Kingz	H	5-1	11909		17	14					17 2		Y 12		Y S	S		8	S								
Fri 24	Northern Spirit	A	0-2	5764						Y 12						S				S								
Sat 2 Dec	Adelaide City Force	H	2-0	10912			Y				14			14 1		S	S					Y 21 1		S				
Sun 10	Newcastle United	H	4-0	11873		14	Y 1				Y			Y 12 2		S	S	21 1				Y		S				
Bye	Carlton	A	3-0																									
Sat 23	Marconi Stallions	H	0-1	13813								21	S	X		S	S	Y	14			Y		S				
Sat 30	Melbourne Knights	A	1-1	4871				Y 1			Y																	
Sat 6 Jan	Brisbane Strikers	H	7-2	11942				14			19 1		S	1			S	Y 19	1	1		S						
Fri 12	Parramatta Power	A	3-2	5071	Y	23						S	8	19 1	1			X	1			S			S			
Sat 20	Canberra Cosmos	H	3-0	13277	Y	8					Y	Y S	S	1					1	1	9	S						
Sat 27	Wollongong Wolves	H	1-1	16019		8	1			S	X	Y S	6							19		S						
Sun 4 Feb	South Melbourne	A	1-1	12917			Y 1			S		17	S	9	Y					S					6			
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Fri 23	Newcastle United	A	0-1	5328		4	Y	S					19									S						
Bye	Carlton	H	3-0																									
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Fri 20	Brisbane Strikers	A																										
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	Perth Glory Appearances				53	73	77	23	61	132	136	13	62	125	31	21	33	57	23	21	19	46	39	7	28	1	1	3
	Perth Glory Goals				0	4	10	3	1	6	13	3	23	56	1	1	0	1	16	3	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
	NSL Appearances				208	159	77	24	148	144	185	250	142	148	83	98	33	57	322	21	148	46	278	44	64	1	1	6
	NSL Goals				0	6	10	3	4	6	16	65	33	66	7	25	0	1	164	3	18	3	0	1	2	0	0	0

= Played, Y = Yellow Card, R = Red Card, S = Substitute, 1 = Goals Scored, 8 = Substituted by, X = Suspended

* Please note that Craig Deans received a yellow card while playing for Carlton SC

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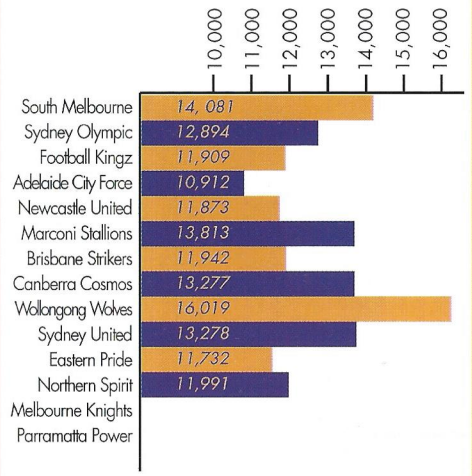

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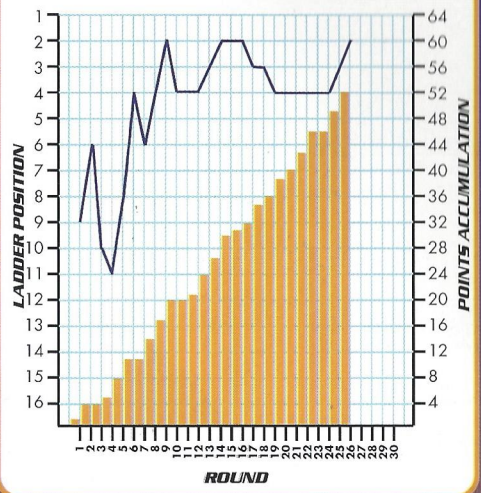

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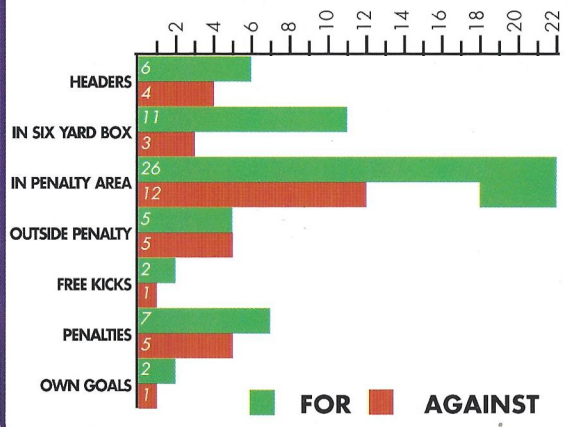

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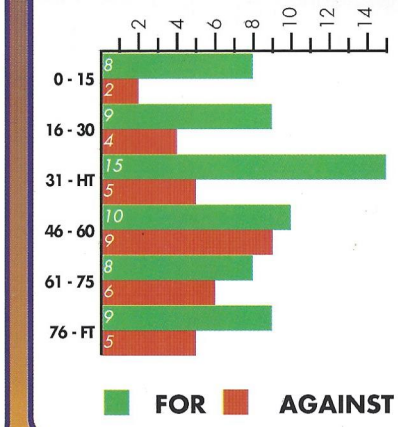

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MELBOURNE KNIGHTS

CLUB HISTORY

The Knights' roots can be traced back to 1953, when a club simply called Croatia entered the Victorian provisional league. After a series of mergers and takeovers, the club had developed into Essendon Croatia by 1975. Competing competently in the Victorian State League, they finished either first or second each year from 1978 to 1984. Eddie Krncevic, Australia's first overseas success story of the modern era, came through the Essendon ranks. Renamed Melbourne Croatia, their NSL career commenced stunningly in 1984 as the club made it to the preliminary final of the southern conference at their first attempt. Grand final losses in 1991 (to South Melbourne) and in 1992 and 1994 (both to Adelaide City) were heartbreaking after dominant displays in each of these matches. In 1994/95, the Knights gained revenge by defeating Adelaide City 2-0 in the most one-sided of national league grand finals ever played. Despite losing many players, the club won the league again in 1995/96. Even more players disappeared after the 1996 grand final, but the club never knows how to say die and have doggedly continued to compete strongly in the NSL. With Carlton's withdrawal mid-season, they picked up the vastly experienced and talented trio of Andrew Marth, Lubo Lapsansky and Steve Horvat and look strong bets to make the play-offs at least.

Major signings: Joel Porter (Croydon Kings, SA), Toto Da Costa (Eindhoven - Holland), Joe Kozic and Saso Ognenovski (both Preston, Vic), Andy Vargas (Pride), Ivan Razov (St Albans, Vic), Xheair Sulemani (South Dandenong, Vic) and during the season; Andrew Marth, Steve Horvat, Lubo Lapsansky and Daniel Vasilevski (all from Carlton)
Major losses: Ante Kovacevic (Force), Zeljko Susa (South Melbourne), Paul Urlovic (Kingz), Mark Silic (Sydney United), Michael Reda, John Didulica, Slavko Rados, Ivan Kelic, Toyin Abbas

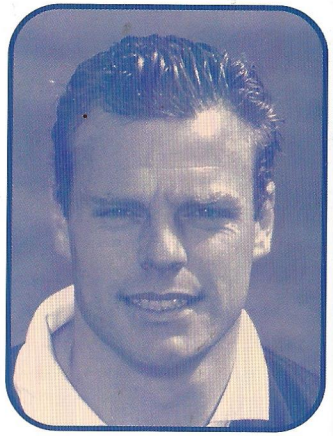
HEAD-TO-HEAD RECORD (ALL NSL MATCHES)

v Opponent	P	W	D	L	F	A	Best result	Worst result
v Adelaide City Force	42	12	10	20	46	61	4-0	0-6
v Brisbane Strikers	21	14	2	5	30	20	3-0	0-4
v Canberra Cosmos	13	6	5	2	27	16	5-0	0-3
v Carlton	6	2	1	3	11	12	3-0	2-4
v Eastern Pride	19	9	3	7	34	26	6-2	0-2
v Football Kingz	4	1	3	0	11	7	4-0	3-3
v Marconi Stallions	34	15	6	13	49	47	6-0	0-5
v Newcastle	18	4	2	12	22	37	6-0	1-4
v Northern Spirit	6	1	1	4	8	11	4-1	0-3
v Parramatta Power	4	3	0	1	8	5	3-1	1-2
v Perth Glory	11	2	3	6	15	25	3-1	1-6
v South Melbourne	48	11	16	21	52	72	4-0	0-4
v Sydney Olympic	35	13	8	14	49	50	3-1	0-3
v Sydney United	33	16	9	8	59	43	6-1	1-6
v Wollongong Wolves	29	14	2	13	33	37	4-0	0-4

PERTH GLORY V MELBOURNE KNIGHTS PREVIOUS RESULTS

1996/97	In Perth	Glory	3	Knights	2
	In Melbourne	Knights	3	Glory	1
1997/98	In Perth	Glory	3	Knights	2
	In Melbourne	Knights	1	Glory	2
1998/99	In Melbourne	Knights	1	Glory	1
	In Perth	Glory	3	Knights	1
1999/2000	In Melbourne	Knights	0	Glory	3
	In Perth	Glory	6	Knights	1
	In Perth	Glory	2	Knights	2
	In Melbourne	Knights	1	Glory	0
2000/01	In Melbourne	Knights	1	Glory	1

COACH/CAPTAIN PROFILE
Andrew Marth



Playing career - National Soccer League

Seasons	Club	Games	Goals
1986-1989	Sunshine	63	2
1989/90-97/98	Melbourne Knights	194	36
1998/99-99/00	Carlton	66	17
00/01	Melbourne Knights	14	5
TOTAL NSL		**337**	**60**

Coaching career - National Soccer League

Seasons	Club	Games	W-D-L
2000-2001	Melbourne Knights	2	1-1-0
TOTAL NSL		**2**	**1-1-0**

Five facts about Andrew Marth

- Born and raised in Melbourne
- Came through the Sunshine junior ranks
- Played 20 games and scored one goal for the Socceroos between 1991and 2000
- Captained the Melbourne Knights to back-to-back NSL championships in 1994/95 and 1995/96
- Captained the ill-fated Carlton Soccer Club before returning to the helm at Melbourne Knights midway through the season

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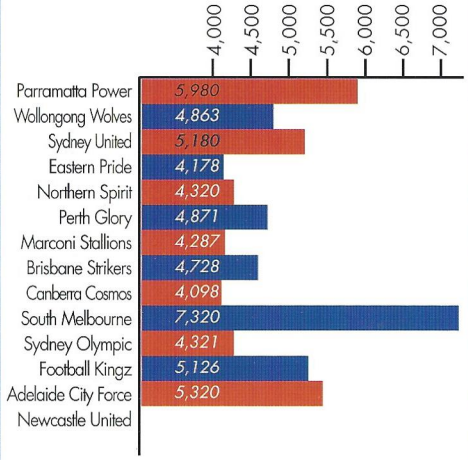

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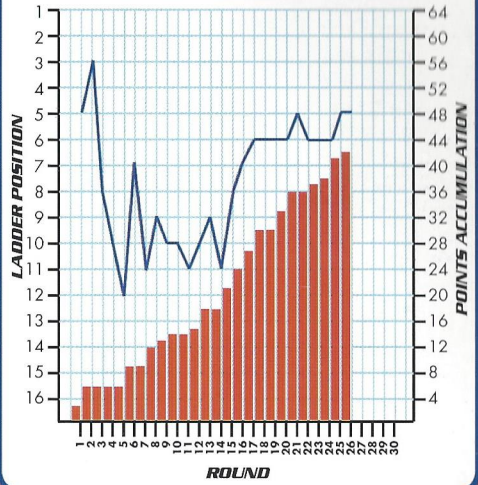


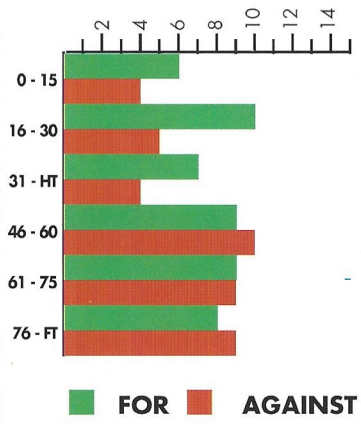
MELBOURNE KNIGHTS FORM GUIDE

Rnd 26 v Adelaide City Force (H)	**- Drew 1-1**
Rnd 25 v Northern Spirit (A)	**- Won 4-1**
Rnd 24 v Football Kingz (H)	**- Drew 2-2**
Rnd 23 v Eastern Pride (A)	**- Drew 2-2**
Rnd 22 v Sydney Olympic (H)	**- Lost 3-2**

LEADING GOALSCORERS THIS SEASON

Toto Da Costa	11
Adrian Cervinski	10
Joel Porter	10

MELBOURNE KNIGHTS GOALS WHEN THEY WERE SCORED



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Cut Gareth Naven and he'd probably bleed purple and orange, so when you want know how the Glory's campaign is looking, go no further than the captain. Bob Figg spoke to Naven about the Glory's performances to date, the road ahead for the club and Captain Fantastic's own future.

Here we are a few weeks out from the finals, how's it looking from the captain's point of view?
Not too bad, considering. Scotty Miller and Damian Mori were away on national team duty, Shane Pryce got injured in training just before we left for Marconi, so a few things haven't gone our way. But we've got players like Kasey Wehrman, who put in a decent performance against Marconi, and Ljubo (Milicevic) slotted in nicely. Brad Maloney came back and it's good to see him get some games under his belt.
It's good to see those players on the field and having a run as we move into the finals. We've got four games left and we need four wins really to stay in there. We've put ourselves in a good position with the 2-0 win at Marconi. It wasn't easy going to their ground, it was a good team effort and I think in the next few weeks we need to really focus and concentrate on working hard at the club.
It's the small things like staying behind after training and doing a bit extra, maybe putting a little more pressure on each other, not being so nice to each other, making sure everyone does their job. At the end it is only going to benefit each other. The level of training will improve; it's really important to get more intense and focus.

You mentioned the players coming in for the Marconi game, is there a parallel with last year when players came in against Wollongong and did well. Are there one or two players who've staked a claim for the finals?
Possibly. I think with the team when it's a time when we need to win, we seem to be able to come up with the goods, especially when you've got a few injuries and people out with the national team. It is great to have players like Maloney and Wehrman to come in. We're just trying to look forward and do our best and put ourselves in the best position possible on the run in, and that's first or second.

One guy who was probably expected to be a squad player this season and has been a sensation is Gary Faria. What's it like playing alongside him?
Gary works hard; he knows what he has to do. I think it's good that he has players next to him like Kasey and Edgar to encourage him. He plays the game very simply. He is hard working at training and he listens to what you have to say which is very important for a young player.
Sometimes these days players play a few games in the State League then come to the national league and think they know it all, but Gary's a boy who works very hard and is very committed to the club and to the players and to his mates at training. He takes the criticism well and also proves himself on the pitch week in, week out. I think he has done that very well this year and has probably exceeded what he thought he'd do at the start of the year. All credit to the guy, he's done very well.

There's been a huge turnover of players in the Glory's history; you've been here all the time. How does this squad compare to last year's? Can it go the extra step?
I don't see why not. I think the team has a lot of fighting qualities, which is important for any team leading up to a championship and I think maybe some of those fighting qualities are still hidden. There is a little more that can be brought out and that's why I say in this next few weeks we must try to be a bit harder on ourselves and be a little bit more dedicated. They are a good bunch of boys. Everyone is close and any political things that are going on outside doesn't affect them and it shouldn't. I try to simplify things and we are employed to win and that's it.
In all sporting teams, what goes on behind the scenes doesn't effect the team. The players just want to get out and train hard and work hard. It's our job.

Sometimes you need a little luck to win titles. You went to Newcastle and lost but the other teams didn't capitalise, suddenly you find yourselves in control of your own destiny.
Since we got into the top six we've ridden our luck quite well with results going our way, but you wouldn't like to depend on it, would you? If we had those three points from the Newcastle game in the bag it would be better now and we have to take advantage of times when you need to win. You can pick out critical moments and say there were maybe three games you should have won to put yourselves in a better position and that can be the difference between getting there and not getting there. Like you say, the luck's gone our way - we've ended up second on goal difference but it would be nice to step one level up and say "why couldn't we win against Newcastle, why couldn't we have taken the initiative and won?" I think that's the next step for this team to get better, to do that sort of thing.
It's the right time of year to do that as well isn't it?
Yeah, I think so. It's about improving the team year in and year out and showing there is a gap between Perth Glory, full-time club, and the rest of the clubs. It's important that spectators should come to our games and think "that's a full-time outfit and I can see the difference". You want to make it a big difference.

One of the part-time outfits, Wollongong, has been your nemesis. Who do you think is the biggest threat as you go towards the finals?
Sydney Olympic, Wollongong, South Melbourne, they are all threats and I think Melbourne Knights are a bit of a dark horse with the experience of the boys from Carlton who have moved there. In this league, anyone can beat anyone.

Is today's match against the Knights a bit of a danger game? Is it the sort of game that can trip you up?
Any team can do that, Newcastle tripped us up. It doesn't matter who the team is. We have a history of rugged matches with the Melbourne Knights so we need to make sure we are fully focussed and get the points.

On a personal level, how long have you left on your contract Gareth?
I've got another year at the end of next year Bob.

Are you looking further ahead than that?
My theory is that I'll try and play as long as I can and if I am good enough in my own right, I'll know. If I am not, I'll put my hand up and say, look I'm lagging behind, I can't cope or people are overtaking me. I'd like to know when enough is enough but I think you're a long time retired.
Put it this way Bob, someone's going to have to push me really hard to take my position. I'll go as long as I can and as long as the club wants me to go. At the moment I feel fine, fit and healthy.

Still enjoying it?
Oh yeah, this is the best job in the world.

Bob Figg

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CRAIG DEANS
ADAPTING TO NEW ROLES

While Craig Deans has become accustomed to screaming fans, a crying baby in the small hours of the morning is taking some adjustment.

Deans, and partner Justine, recently became the proud parents of Maja (pronounced Maya), but he's tackling his new role in the style Glory fans would expect - with great passion.

He doesn't mind the 4:00am wake-up calls and nappies - well, he's used to cleaning up at the back.

Deans, in his second Glory spell, returned to the club mid-season with the collapse of the Carlton franchise, and he says it couldn't have worked out better, professionally or personally.

The new family is finding it easier to adapt around relatives and close friends, while he believes the Glory have a greater talent pool than his former club and has every chance of claiming the championship ripped from their grasp last season.

The defender, known for his dashing runs and quick tackles, says it had been hard watching the grand final at Subiaco Oval in Melbourne on TV and this time around he wants to be a part of the action.

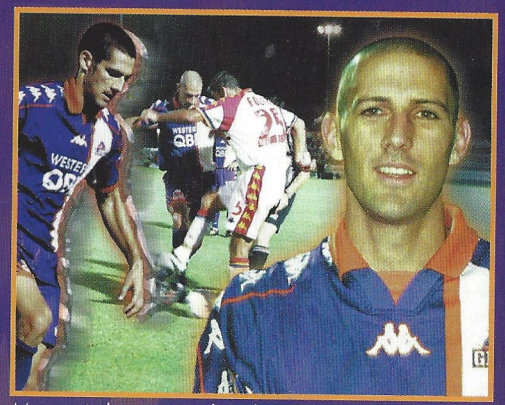
The Glory have slipped quietly into second place in the league, and if they stay there will earn the double chance of making the grand final, as well as the opportunity of being the hosts.

While Deans would love to be a part of a Subiaco grand final, he believes the Glory have the squad that can win anywhere.

He's marvelled at the way they have constantly reshuffled their line-up to cope with injuries, suspensions and national call-ups.

This has sometimes necessitated the agile centre-back moving across to wing-back, filling in for the injured Rob Trajkovski or new Socceroo Scott Miller.

In last week's 2-0 win over finals contenders



Marconi, he returned to his customary position in the absence of the suspended Jamie Harnwell.

"There's no way Carlton could have coped with all these team changes in the same way," he says. "There's probably only South Melbourne who could.

"Each week, there's three or four changes."

The Glory have an impressive road record, and while they haven't beaten any of the leading contenders - South Melbourne, Sydney Olympic or Wollongong - at their bases, Perth have equipped themselves well, often fielding under-manned squads.

They finished 1-1 at Wollongong, 3-3 at Olympic and kept leaders South Melbourne to 1-1.

Each time they have scored goals. At Perth Oval, they beat Souths and drew with the Wolves and Olympic.

"It would be great to play at Subiaco Oval in a grand final, but it won't matter where we play, we can win it," Deans says.

George Temple
British Soccer Week

GARETH NAVEN'S
GOING PLACES WITH THE TRADE PLACE

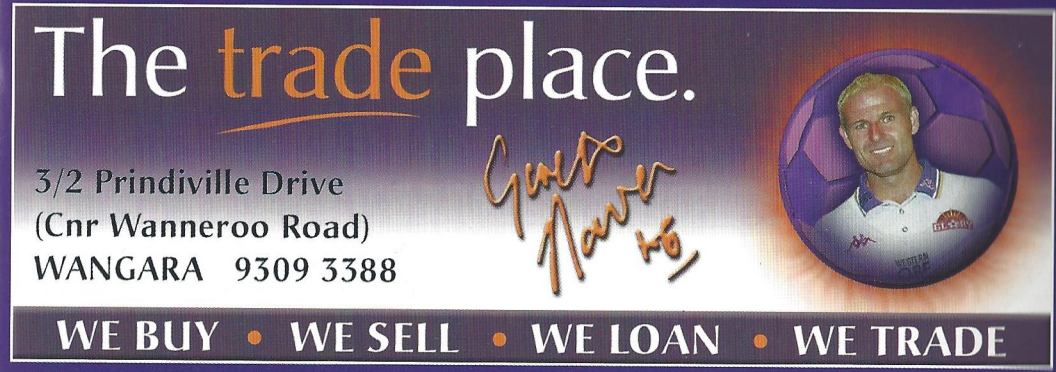
There's nothing Gareth Naven loves more than a challenge and if his workrate and attitude on the pitch are even half reflected off it, his latest venture is certain to be a winner. The Glory skipper recently opened a second-hand, pawnbroker shop in Wangara called The Trade Place. It's actually taken over the premises of Cash Converters, where Naven was involved for almost 10 years.

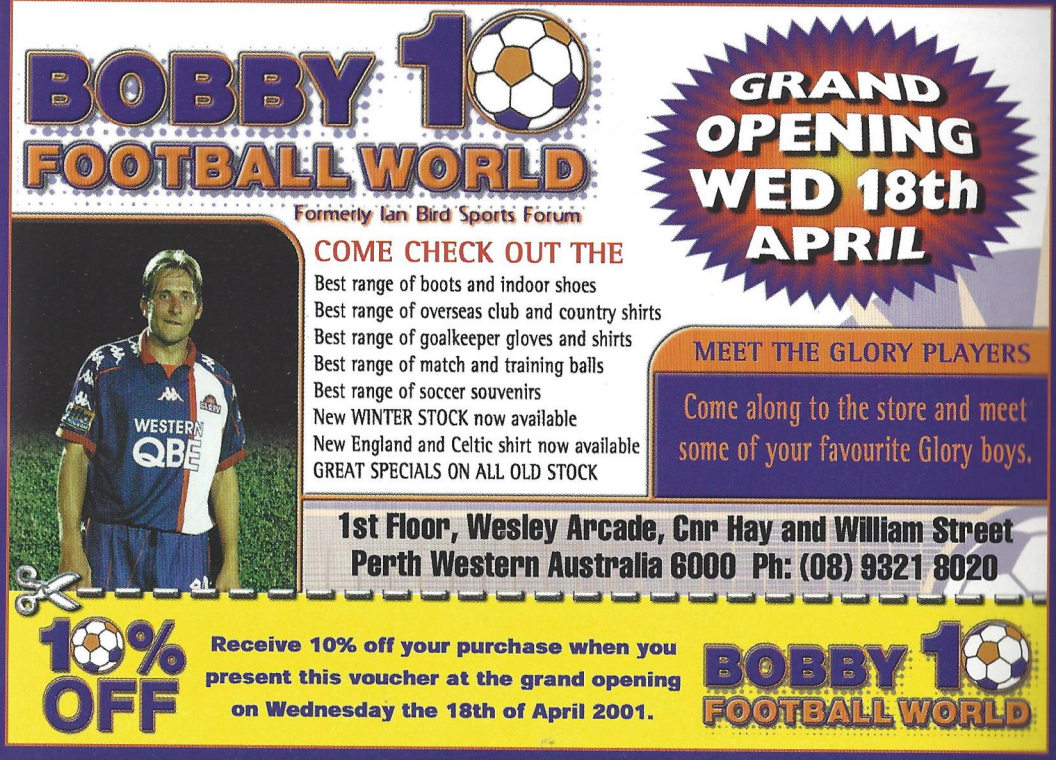
"We had the place in Wangara and also one over in Osborne Park," he said, "but the lease came up here (Wangara) after 10 years and we decided to take it on and start up The Trade Place."

He said it would obviously be difficult for him to be there in person during the season, especially at weekends because of Glory commitments, but he hoped to be able to get down sometime in the off-season.

"It's important to have other interests and something to keep you busy when you finish playing," he said.

"We'd really like to welcome everyone along, not just Glory supporters, but everyone."





RAISING FUNDS FOR A GOOD CAUSE

With the finals getting ever closer, the Glory's performances on the park are taking on greater importance, but there is an event more important taking place off the pitch this evening. It is Charity Day at Perth Oval and Perth Glory, together with its fantastic fans, are out to raise much-needed funds for its two nominated charities this season, The Speech and Hearing Centre and The Association for Services to Torture and Trauma Survivors (ASeTTS).

ASeTTS is a community based, non-profit organisation that was established in 1993 to provide a range of services to help people who've experienced torture and trauma prior to their arrival in Australia. The associations work with about 400 refugees each year, representing over 30 countries and victims are offered individual counselling as well as therapeutic and recreational group work, holiday programs and retreats. They also provide education, training and support for professionals and ASeTTS spokesperson, Norma Josephs said they were extremely grateful for what Perth Glory had done.

A lot of these people come from countries where soccer is the number one sport, so having the opportunity to watch Perth Glory and kick a ball around again themselves is just another small step towards rebuilding their lives.

The other beneficiary of today's coin appeal, The Speech and Hearing Centre, was formed 34 years ago to help the educational and family needs of children with either permanent or temporary hearing loss. Since 1999 they have also offered medical and surgical support to children with middle-ear problems, many of who suffer speech and language delays as a result. The organisation publishes their own quarterly newsletter, Earsay, but Christine Brancato said they were forced to fundraise $250,000 a year just to keep their early intervention programmes running for children up to the age of four. Unfortunately, these programmes receive next to nothing in the way of support from either the state or federal government, so Ms Brancato said they were delighted to be associated with Perth Glory and were very thankful to the club and its supporters for their generosity this season.

"The Glory is the best thing that's ever happened to the Speech and Hearing Centre as far as we're concerned," Ms Brancato said.

She said every day she had requests from the teachers for new equipment and all money raised would directly benefit programmes for the hearing impaired.

"At the top of the list is a digital camera for the teachers of the deaf," she said. "That way we'll be able to do a lot of our publications in house and save a lot of money."

Throughout the season, the Glory has been supporting both these organisations with proceeds from various club functions assisting their fundraising and members of both associations have been to and thoroughly enjoyed Perth Glory matches, but today is your chance to directly assist so please give generously. For more information on either of our charities, please see their displays set up next to the Match Day Office behind the main grandstand.

Player Promotions For The Next Fortnight

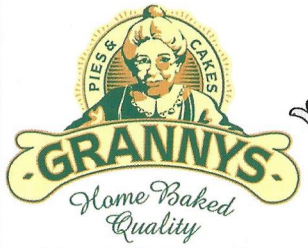
Mon Apr 16 - Wed Apr 19: All players will take turns appearing at the Harvey Fresh Soccer School, taking place over three days at Perth Oval.

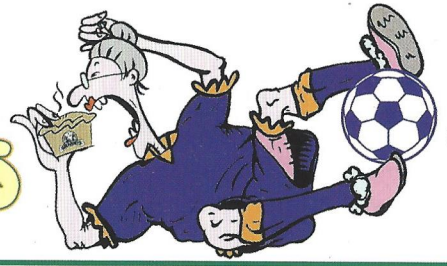
Wed Apr 18: Bernd Stange will be down at Rockingham between 12:30pm and 1:30pm for a "Beat The Keeper" competition.

Fri Apr 27: Gareth Naven, Gary Faria, Alistair Edwards and Nick Mrdja will be at Hoyts Carousel in Cannington between 9:30am and 10:30am.

Jamie Harnwell found time to give young fan Lucas a quick soccer lesson when he visited the Speech and Hearing Centre recently to hand over a new fridge that was bought with funds raised from a cruise in the Swan River earlier this year.

SCORE WITH A GRANNY'S PIE





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FC Energie Cottbus may not be as well know to Western Australians as Bayern Munich or Kaiserslautern but Glory fans may be keeping a close eye on the Bundesliga outfit's results next season.

Keeper Jason Petkovic, who good judges rate as being worth a good dozen points with his top class performances this season, has attracted the interest of the German side.

Cottbus might be struggling to retain its Bundesliga status, going down 1-0 last weekend to bottom side VfL Bochum, but someone has a good eye for quality keepers.

Whether it's penalty stops in crucial matches or point blank saves at vital times in games, Petkovic has brought stability to the goalkeeping position, which is the envy of many NSL clubs.

While the big shot-stopper is very happy at the Glory, the lure of a move to one of Europe's glamour leagues is of course a tempting prospect and the contact from Cottbus came as a pleasant surprise.

"The club received an invitation for me to go to Germany for medical tests and so forth. We had the bye and the club allowed me to go. It was quite a good experience.

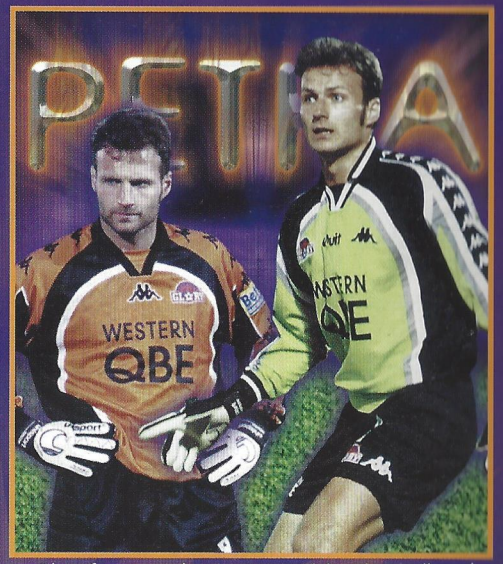
"Cottbus saw me in a couple of games and they wanted to see a little bit more of me, see how I mixed with the players and so forth."

Now all Petkovic can do is wait and see what happens.

"It's up to the clubs now, whether they want to go through with the situation or not."

Petkovic though is not about to be distracted from the business in hand and he also laughs off talk about his great contribution to the team's fortunes.

"I think if you tend to think that way, you get a bit selfish and you stop thinking about the team. I am just happy that I can do my part for the team in such important situations."



Glory fans can also rest assured that they will not be left with a keeper crisis as the finals approach.

"I am not leaving until the end of the season, if I leave at all, there is nothing for sure yet."

If Petkovic does go, then it will be the latest stage on a journey which has seen him try his luck with Rangers in Scotland and Southampton in England.

While Glory fans would be sorry to see the 28-year-old go, and even if the Cottbus deal falls through, the Bundesliga official site reports interest from Borussia Monchengladbach and Dinamo Zagreb, they would not begrudge the big keeper his dream move.

What they and Petkovic hope is that if he does depart, he has a championship medal to take with him. And of course Jason agrees: "Definitely, especially the first one for the club."

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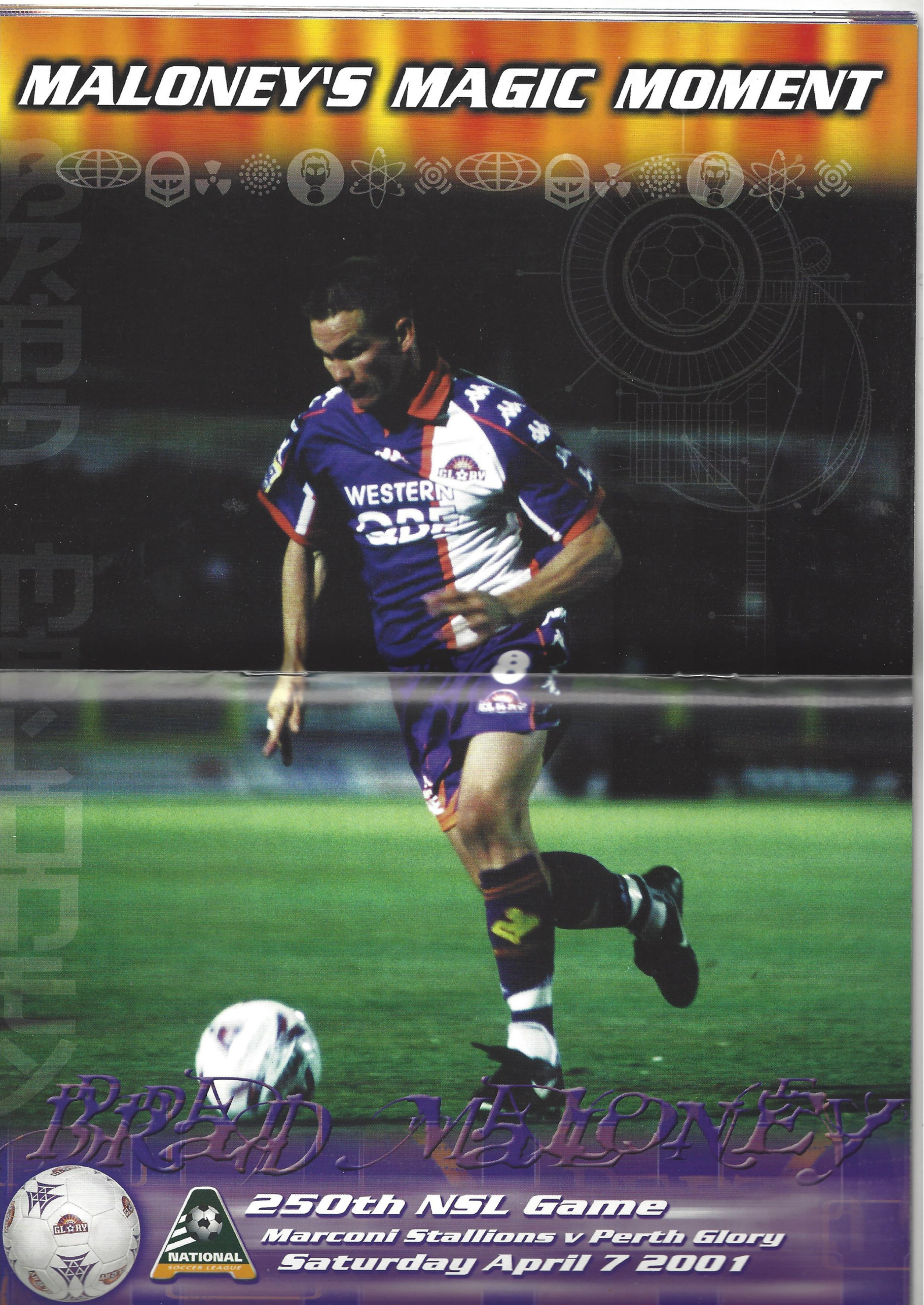


250th NSL Game

Marconi Stallions v Perth Glory

Saturday April 7 2001

ALISTAIR EDWARDS
STILL MAKING MAGIC

Alistair Edwards is Perth Glory's Mr Nice Guy...affable, approachable and usually always ready with a very willing smile. But even he gets a bit tetchy when he hears remarks that he must be getting towards the end of his career because he's the wrong side of 30.

"Once you're past 30 some people seem to regard you as a freak of nature if you are still playing sport at an elite level," says Edwards, who will be 33 on June 21.

He points to Teddy Sheringham, Stuart Pearce and Richard Gough as examples of good players who may not be getting any younger, but certainly aren't getting any less able in the pursuit of their soccer careers.

"Why are we obsessed with age in sport in Australia, and particularly Western Australia," queried Edwards.

"It's been said to me I'm not getting any younger. It's a ridiculous attitude.

"I'm not carrying any excess weight. I keep myself in good trim. I train as hard as anyone in our squad and I don't feel any different from what I did 10 years ago.

"Teddy Sheringham is 35 and he's been offered another contract with the biggest club in the world (Manchester United). Richard Gough is 39 and still playing in the English premier league (with Everton) and Stuart Pearce is still producing the goods for West Ham and he's almost 39 as well. So, I can't understand why age is such an issue."

Edwards, like Sheringham, is like a good wine...getting better with age. He's managed to overcome a horror start to the NSL season when he jarred his left knee in the opening game away against Wollongong Wolves. It sidelined him for nine weeks.

"I had been very pleased with my pre-season but the injury put me back to square one," he said. "The first half of the season was really a write-off for me, because it took me so long to get my sharpness back. I did the pre-season grind and then I had to do it all over again. And the Glory not having a youth team didn't help matters. I had no outlet to get my match fitness back. Brad Maloney's just had the same problem."

Edwards made his comeback in the home game against Marconi Stallions on December 23, replacing Peter Buljan early in the second half and being unlucky not to score, having a shot cleared off the line in a frantic finish as the Stallions held on for a surprise 1-0 win.

It was another couple of months before the versatile Edwards did succeed in getting that elusive first goal of the season. It came against his old club, Sydney Olympic, in a 3-3 thriller in Sydney. Since then, he's been invaluable to the Glory, slotting in on the left side of midfield or at left wing-back, as was the case against Marconi last Saturday.

Coach Bernd Stange praised Edwards to the hilt for his committed contribution, which he adorned with the team's first goal in the 2-0 win...a goal that Edwards can't stop talking about.

"I thought it was pretty special...and I kept reminding the lads about it on our way back from Sydney on the plane," he laughed. "It was one of my better goals. Marconi tried to clear the ball, but I managed to head it to Bobby (Despotovski), who flicked it over his head and I ran onto it and hit it with the outside of my left foot from about the penalty spot. It was a great feeling."

Edwards thought it was a determined effort by the team as a whole.

"When we are undermanned, as we were in this game, I feel it brings out the best in us with a lot of character being showed," he said. "When our backs are against the wall we seem to be able to come to the party."

Stange has recommended that Edwards, who has been with the club for just over two years, be given a new contract. But the club has yet to act on the advice, leaving Edwards somewhat frustrated.

"If anything, it's de-motivating," he said. "You ask yourself why? Maybe it's working against me being a local and having a family here, they maybe know that I'm unlikely to take off somewhere else.

"I know that Parramatta and Brisbane both wanted me earlier this season, but the club said no. That's fine, but I'm disappointed that the question of my contract hasn't been resolved."

Edwards feels the Glory should be starting to build a culture and a tradition and encouraging players like himself, keeper Tony Franken and captain Gareth Naven to stay involved when their playing days are getting shorter. Coaching and marketing roles should certainly be the next big step when the talented trio hang up their boots.

Edwards has already branched out in another direction...becoming, as he says himself, "a suit". He was recently elected as a Councillor with the Cockburn City Council.

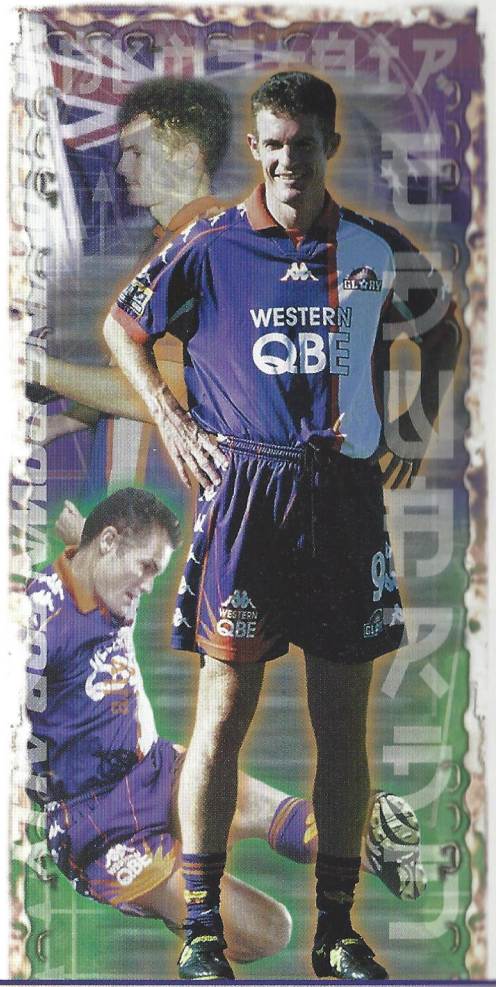
He has already been given special roles on the Council that suit his background. He is involved with the Youth Advisory Council and the Cockburn Recreation Committee.

"The players take the mickey out of me when I put on my suit after training to head for Council meetings...but I don't mind," he laughed.

Edwards recently rubbed shoulders at a Council function with the State's new Premier, Geoff Gallop, a well-known Glory fan who sometimes frequents The Shed area.

"He was asking me what's going on with soccer after some recent bad publicity," said Edwards. "He's concerned, for he's a huge fan and he's keen for soccer to do well."

By Mel Moffat
of *The West Australian*



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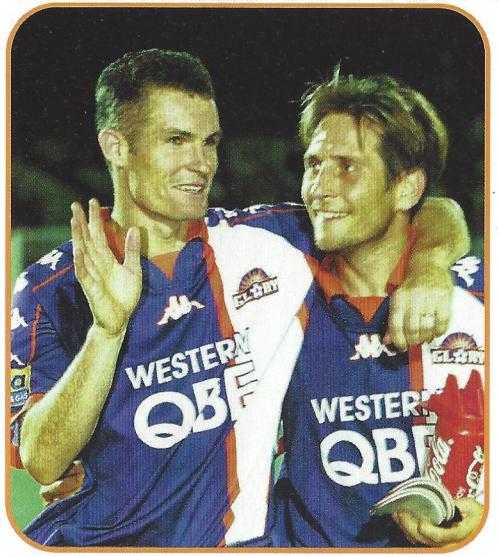
AT HOME AGAINST NORTHERN SPIRIT



Last season's leading goalscorer for the Glory, Alistair Edwards, celebrates with Bobby Despotovski, whose two goals saw him remain the clabs and the NSL's joint leading goal scorer, along with teammate Damian Mori.

PERTH GLORY 4
Mori 11, 70
Despotovski 14 (pen), 89

NORTHERN SPIRIT 1
Burgess 9 (pen)

Half-Time score 2-1

Yellow Cards-
Perth Glory - Jason Petkovic, Craig Deans
Northern Spirit - Mike Smith, Michael Cunico, Stuart Howson, Troy Cranney

Attendance- 11,991

Two goals apiece to Damian Mori and Bobby Despotovski saw Perth Glory comfortably account for Northern Spirit and keep the pressure on the league leaders for an all-important top-two finish. Bernd Stange's team brushed aside the pre-match drama that saw Socceroos midfielder Kasey Wehrman sensationally left out of the Glory line-up for disciplinary reasons, to extend their unbeaten run to an impressive 11 games. But if the Spirit had been able to convert some of their dominance at the start of the second half into something on the scoreboard, it might have been a much different story. It was the visitors who took an early lead when Jason Petkovic came charging to the edge of his area to clear but only succeeded in clumsily sending Daniel Watkins crashing to the turf, leaving referee Eddie Lennie no option but to award a penalty, which Ben Burgess tucked into the bottom corner. But within two minutes the Glory were level after Despotovski brilliantly flicked Craig Deans' cross into the path of Mori who stooped to head the ball past John Perosh. Despotovski then put his side in front, converting from the spot after Gary Faria's dangerous burst into the area had been illegally halted by Craig Foster. Alistair Edwards and Mori both had chances to increase the Glory's lead but the Spirit came out with all guns blazing after the break and should have equalised. Burgess uncharacteristically headed over from just six yards, then Troy Cranney blasted Matt Langdon's deep cross into the side-netting from close range. The Sydneysiders were made to pay when Edgar's defence-splitting pass found Mori and the league's all-time leading goalscorer made a tricky finish look ridiculously easy, clipping the ball past the advancing Perosh from just inside the area. Edwards thought he'd got the Glory's fourth when he glanced a header goalwards from Scott Miller's teasing corner but Mr Lennie and his linesman couldn't be sure the whole ball had crossed the line and waved play on. Then in the final seconds, Despotovski got a well-deserved second when he pounced to poke the ball into the back of the net after Perosh could only parry John Carbone's cross from the left.

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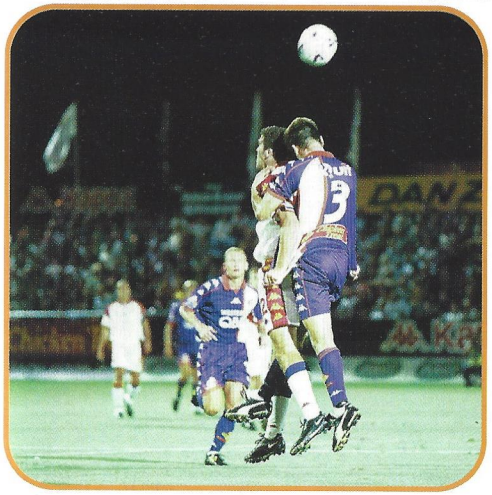

Jamie Harnwell and Northern Spirit's Ben Burgess battle for the ball in the match that saw Burgess score a single goal from the penalty spot.

With the NSL's top three leading goalscorers on equal goals, the Glory's Damian Mori and Bobby Despotovski went one better than the Spirit's Ben Burgess with two goals each to his one.

BEST FOR PERTH GLORY:
Bobby Despotovski, Gareth Naven, Damian Mori, Edgar Junior

BERND STANGE'S REACTION
"I think it's another excellent win for Perth Glory, 4-1 at home and now a long, long unbeaten run."
"In the end of the day, we are happy with 4-1. It was just 15 minutes after half-time we started to struggle."

Subs: John Carbone for Alistair Edwards (84 mins)

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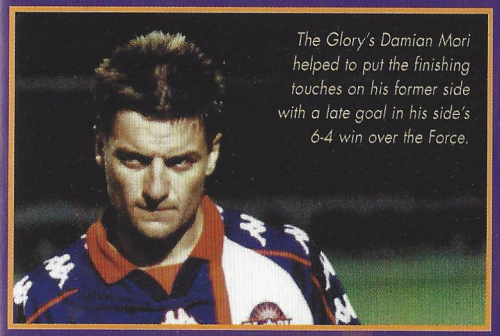

The Glory's Damian Mori helped to put the finishing touches on his former side with a late goal in his side's 6-4 win over the Force.

Adelaide City Force 4
Hassell 29
Scott Tunbridge 32, 84
Gianluca Lagati 67

Perth Glory 6 Brad
Alistair Edwards 17
Ante Kovacevic 26 (og)
Bobby Despotovski 38 (pen)
Scott Miller 52
Damian Mori 72
John Carbone 79

Half-Time Score: 2-3
Attendance: 4,030
Yellow Cards: None

Perth Glory's hopes of a top-two finish were burning brightly after beating Adelaide City Force 6-4 in an amazing match at Hindmarsh Stadium. Bernd Stange's side know they can ill afford to drop any points in the run-in to the finals if they want to have the double chance and the Glory coach promised his team would play attacking soccer, but no one could have predicted this 10-goal thriller. Alistair Edwards opened the scoring after 17 minutes when he finished clinically after a low cross from the right. It was 2-0 nine minutes later when former Adelaide favourite Damian Mori and the Force's Ante Kovacevic both lunged at another teasing centre, with the defender slicing the ball past his keeper Adrian Cagalj for an own goal. However, if the visitors thought Adelaide would lie down and surrender, two goals in three minutes to the home side changed that. First Brad Hassell made it 2-1 when a deflected shot from just outside the area looped up over Jason Petkovic, then Scott Tunbridge headed the equaliser.

Bobby Despotovski put the Glory back in front just before half-time, converting from the penalty spot for his 16th goal of the season, after big Italian defender Fabrizio Bucciarelli had clumsily pushed him to the ground. Scott Miller restored the two-goal margin after 52 minutes with a stunning volley, then Gianluca Lagati made it 4-3, tapping in from close range with 23 minutes remaining. A moment of Mori magic put the Glory up 5-3, with the striker showing typical strength to hold off his opponent, before swivelling and lashing a shot into the top right corner. John Carbone further increased his side's lead with his third goal of the season after 79 minutes, before another Tunbridge header close to full time completed the goal glut in a remarkable match.

Best For Perth Glory: Edgar Junior, Gary Faria, Craig Deans, Alistair Edwards

Bernd Stange's Reaction:
"It was a real tennis match result but I think it was an excellent away performance with terrible defensive mistakes on both sides."

Subs: John Carbone for Despotovski (half-time), Dion Valle for Pryce (87 minutes)

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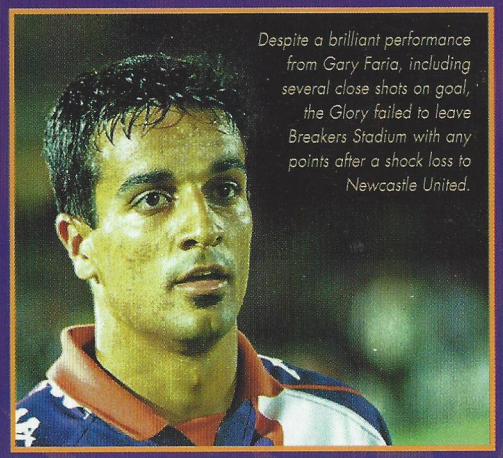


Despite a brilliant performance from Gary Faria, including several close shots on goal, the Glory failed to leave Breakers Stadium with any points after a shock loss to Newcastle United.

Newcastle United 1 **Perth Glory 0**
Todd McManus 55

Half-Time Score: 0-0 **Attendance:** 5,328

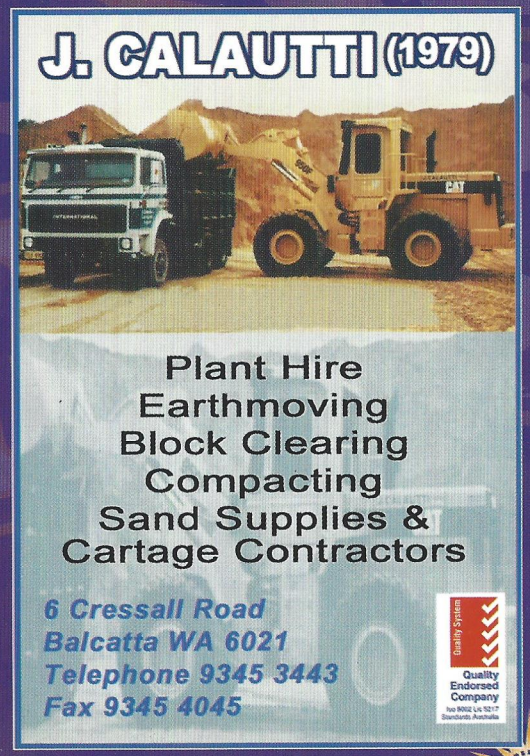
Yellow Cards:
Perth Glory - None
Newcastle United - Daniel McBreen (two yellows)

Perth Glory's record 12-game unbeaten run, and possibly any remaining hopes of a top-two finish, came crashing to a halt at the hands of bogey side Newcastle in a lacklustre match at Breakers Stadium. A goal by big defender Todd McManus 10 minutes after the interval proved the difference in the end, but in truth, Bernd Stange's side never really looked liked scoring apart from a late rally that saw veteran keeper Bob Catlin make a series of brilliant saves. Gary Faria had the Glory's best opportunities in the first half but fired over on both occasions. Jason Petkovic made a tremendous save early in the second period to parry Glenn Sprod's 20-yard thunderbolt, but there was little he could do minutes later to prevent the home side taking the lead. John Buonavoglia received a cross from the left, in acres of space beyond the far post, and although Petkovic showed superb reflexes to keep out his deflected volley, McManus pounced to fire the loose ball into the roof of the net from two yards out. Scott Miller forced Catlin to make a smart save to prevent his low angled drive from sneaking inside the near post, then Faria saw his sweetly-struck shot from just outside the area deflected for a corner after some brilliant lead-up play by Damian Mori. Newcastle substitute, Daniel McBreen, had a chance to make it 2-0 but volleyed over from close range, while Despotovski did superbly to set up Mori but his glancing header was wonderfully saved by Catlin. With time running out, Buonavoglia should have made sure of the points for the home side after being sent clear with only Petkovic to beat, but the Glory custodian made another impressive save. Then in the final seconds, Faria almost capped off an eye-catching individual performance with the equaliser but again his well-hit half-volley from 20 yards took a slight deflection and with it went the Glory's unbeaten record.

Best For Perth Glory: Gary Faria, Jamie Harnwell, Jason Petkovic, Edgar Junior

Bernd Stange's Reaction:
"It was under very difficult conditions and we took too much time to adapt to the conditions of a very terrible rugby pitch."

Subs: Ljubo Milicevic for Trajkovski (27 mins), John Carbone for Edwards (73 mins)



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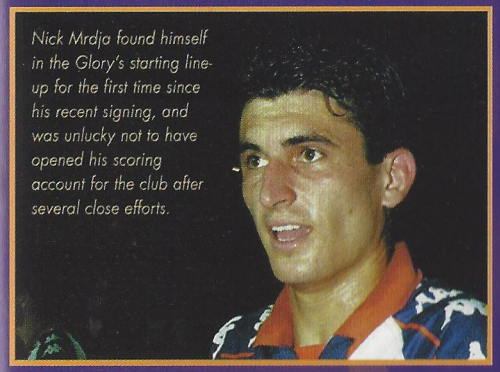

Nick Mrdja found himself in the Glory's starting line-up for the first time since his recent signing, and was unlucky not to have opened his scoring account for the club after several close efforts.

Marconi Stallions 0 **Perth Glory 2**
Edwards 14
Faria 44

Half-Time Score: 0-2 **Attendance:** 3,348
Yellow Cards: Perth Glory - Bobby Despotovski, Alistair Edwards, Gareth Naven
Marconi Stallions - Brendan Renaud, Dominic Longo, John Gibson, Angelo Costanzo

Perth Glory moved into second place on the NSL table after a well-deserved 2-0 victory over Marconi. First half goals to Alistair Edwards and Gary Faria gave Bernd Stange's men sweet revenge after going down 1-0 at home to the Stallions earlier in the season. But it was the home side that threatened first with Royce Brownlie forcing Jason Petkovic to make a smart save, then firing just wide in the opening minutes, before the Glory went ahead. Despotovski found the sprightly Edwards who beat one opponent and slid the ball under the body of keeper Michael Turnbull. Ljubo Milicevic twice went close to doubling the lead, hammering a 40-yard piledriver against the crossbar, then blasting into the side netting from a tight angle. Petkovic had to react quickly to save a goalbound deflection from a Marconi player after the ball was driven across the face of goal but there was nothing his opposite number could do on the stroke of half-time to stop Faria making it 2-0. Again Despotovski was the architect, playing a quick free-kick delightfully between three opponents for Faria to run on to and drill a low shot past the helpless Turnbull. The visitors continued to press forward after the break and were unlucky not to be awarded a penalty when Nick Mrdja appeared to be fouled in the area. The Stallions fought back and Brendan Renaud saw his powerful effort come back off the bar, then Todd Brodie and Brownlie both wasted good chances. Despotovski had a strong penalty claim rejected before Mrdja amazingly scooped the ball over the bar from two yards out. The home side refused to give up and Faria was forced to make a timely clearance off the line from Vlado Zoric's header, while at the other end, John Carbone could have made sure of the points but sliced wide from a difficult angle. However, in the final analysis it didn't matter as the Glory held on for a valuable three points.

Best For Perth Glory: Bobby Despotovski, Gary Faria, Alistair Edwards, Gareth Naven

Bernd Stange's Reaction:
"I think it was our most important away win because it put us, after three away games in a row, to second spot and that's a good base to do more in the next four or five weeks."

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ROAD TO TOP-SIX GLORY

With just four rounds of the home and away component remaining, it's probably an ideal time to review who the finals contenders have to face and beat if they are to qualify for the top-six phase of the 2000/01 NSL championship.

Team / Points	Round 27	Round 28	Round 29	Round 30
South Melbourne (59)	Sydney Olympic (A)	Eastern Pride (H)	Football Kingz (A)	Northern Spirit (H)
Perth Glory (52)	Melbourne Knights (H)	Brisbane Strikers (A)	Parramatta Power (H)	Canberra Cosmos (A)
Wollongong Wolves (52)	Eastern Pride (A)	Football Kingz (H)	Northern Spirit (A)	Adelaide City Force (H)
Sydney Olympic (52)	South Melbourne (H)	Sydney United (A)	Newcastle United (H)	Eastern Pride (H)
Melbourne Knights (42)	Perth Glory (A)	Carlton (bye)	Marconi Stallions (A)	Newcastle United (H)
Marconi Stallions (40)	Carlton (bye)	Newcastle United (A)	Melbourne Knights (H)	Brisbane Strikers (A)
Adelaide City Force (39)	Brisbane Strikers (H)	Parramatta Power (A)	Canberra Cosmos (H)	Wollongong Wolves (A)
Kingz FC (37)	Canberra Cosmos (H)	Wollongong Wolves (A)	South Melbourne (H)	Sydney United (A)

DAMAGED PRIDE SINK FURTHER INTO THE RED

The battle to save the financially stricken Eastern Pride from being wound up and placed in the hands of receivers is to be fought, not on the soccer field, but in Victoria's highest court. The Australian newspaper last Monday learned the La Trobe Shire, centred in the provincial city of Morwell, north-east of Melbourne, has issued writs in the Supreme Court against the Pride for the recovery of a $320,000 debt loaned to the NSL club more than two years ago. On top of being in debt to the local government authority, the club also owes $70,000 in unpaid wages to coach Jeff Hopkins and a 15-man senior squad. The Pride have also not met Soccer Australia's demand of $50,000 affiliation fees for the current season which ends on April 29. The council, as first mortgagee over the Gippsland Falcons Social Club and owners of the NSL license, took the unprecedented legal action to recover the debt after club administrators missed the key interest payment deadline earlier this season. The Pride's bid to get themselves out of the red by selling their social club to a Queensland-based hospitality company has stalled. A special committee comprising soccer club operations director John Buhagiar, soccer club CEO, Peter Quirk, and club director, Fred Di Sippio, has spent the last 72 hours in talks with a financial broker in a last-ditch bid to save the club. "It was only when the council stepped in and threatened us with legal action that saw us get into financial trouble," Buhagiar said. "It's been a hard battle by the three-man sub-committee to come up with the refinancing package." The Pride and the Canberra Cosmos were both told last week that they had failed to meet the conditions of entry for next season's new-look NSL which will see the competition reduced from 15 to 12 teams.

RUFER KEEN ON FINALS SPOT

The late season form of Football Kingz' German duo Andy Bluhm and Dennis Ibrahim is firing the Kiwi club to a first ever finals campaign. "It's a pity he (Ibrahim) wasn't like that at the start," player-coach Wynton Rufer told the country's Sunday Star. "Andy Bluhm is just starting to fire as well. It's taken a while for them to adapt to a different league and a different culture. It's a bit unfortunate," Rufer said. If the Kingz can beat Canberra Cosmos this week, they'll put further pressure on a faltering Marconi in sixth position. "All we have to do is win and wait for some of the others to stumble," said the former Werder Bremen star. "You'd expect us to beat Canberra (last night) but they'll be relaxed. They're out of the play-offs, so the pressure is on us."

MOREIRA IMPRESSES SPIRIT COACH

Northern Spirit's former Carlton forward, Alex Moreira, gave himself a huge morale booster last Sunday with his late, late equaliser against Brisbane Strikers. With big changes expected in the Spirit squad at season's end, the Brazilian's five-star performance may convince coach Mick Hickman to hold onto the 26-year-old goalscorer. "He (Alex) had a good game and he answered some questions I put to him when I selected him for the match," said Hickman. "He had not played for a while and I told him he had to work harder at training. He did that and he got a chance to play and he took that chance well. It was disappointing not to win the game because we did more than enough to win it - but we created a lot of chances and that is encouraging. We did not take our chances and in the end it was a relief when Alex scored."

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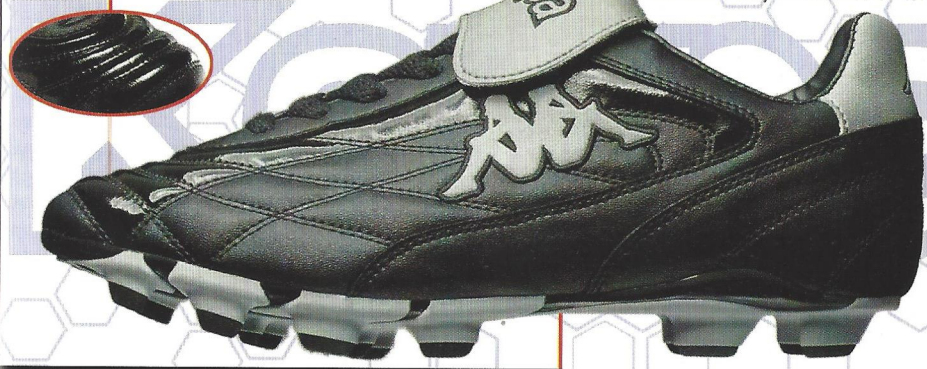

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RESOLUTION PLEA FOR WC2002 CO-HOSTS

South Korea's influential football chief Chung Mong-Joon has called for a political dispute with Tokyo over history textbooks to be resolved to enable a historic visit by Japan's emperor for the World Cup next year. Chung, co chairman of the Korean organising committee and a FIFA vice-president, called for efforts to resolve the dispute so Emperor Akihito can make what would be a spectacular gesture of reconciliation, although no official invitation has been made to the emperor to become the first head of the Japanese royal family to visit Korea since the end of Japan's brutal occupation of the Korean peninsula in 1945. The two countries are co-hosting the tournament in what is seen as a major attempt to end decades of animosity.

SUKER TO LEAVE WEST HAM

Croatian Davor Suker is to leave English Premier League club West Ham at the end of the season. "After 17 years, my professional career is close to ending," the former Real Madrid forward said. "I'll give it one more year. I can't manage it any more at my age - so much travelling, so much stress, so many victories and so many defeats. For the first time in my life I've spent several months out injured and I haven't found a place in the team. I have offers from Spain, France, Germany, Japan and Mexico, as well as from Dinamo Zagreb. The important thing for me now is not money. I want to speak other languages, get to know other parts of the world and be rich in experiences."

GILLET FAILS ANOTHER DOPE TEST

Bari's Belgian goalkeeper, Jean-Francois Gillet, has yielded another positive dope test after a second sample also showed the presence of banned substances, the anti-doping section of the Italian Olympic Committee confirmed midweek.The second sample, like the first, confirmed the presence of norandrosterone and noretiocolanolone after the match on January 21 between Bari and Reggina (2-1 to Bari). A fortnight ago, Gillet himself confirmed he was the unnamed Bari player who had failed a dope test, saying at the time: "I am a serious man and I have nothing to hide. I have never taken anything and what's more I have no idea what nandrolone is."

NEW WEMBLEY COULD BE SPURS HOME

Wembley chief executive Bob Stubbs says that the new national stadium might be sold to a Premiership club. The news could alert North London clubs Tottenham Hotspurs and Arsenal who are both seriously considering leaving their current grounds. "We might not have any choice," he said. "Wembley could take a percentage of ticket sales. The club would need to spend £30million (AU$87m) to upgrade the infrastructure." However, Stubbs has admitted that local residents may object to a Premiership club using the stadium, as it would mean far more games being played. Meanwhile, Spurs defender Sol Campbell has admitted that the injury he sustained against Arsenal in last weekend's FA Cup semi-final may need an operation and could see him out of action for much longer than anticipated. Campbell limped out of the FA Cup semi-final defeat after injuring his right ankle after tangling with Arsenal's Ray Parlour.

RONALDO ON THE MEND

Brazil coach Emerson Leao would welcome a 70 per cent sharp Ronaldo back into the national fold. "It will be difficult for him to return as he was before but all we can do is wish him good luck and, for the good of football, it would be great if he could return even at 70 per cent of his former level," Leao said." Ronaldo is still feeling his way back from a knee injury sustained just seven minutes into his comeback match for Inter Milan against Lazio in April 2000. But the player's health problems really began with his still unexplained collapse in the team hotel on the day of the 1998 World Cup Final in Paris. Although he recently played a charity match in Rio de Janeiro's Maracana stadium, Ronaldo is not expected to return until next season. Brazilian football is in a slump after a 1-0 defeat by Ecuador in Quito left the four-times World Cup winners with work to do to ensure qualification for the 2002 World Cup in Japan and South Korea.

CHESTERFIELD INQUIRY INTENSIFIES

The controversy surrounding Chesterfield Football Club took another turn for the worse when Andrew Marples, an independent financial adviser hired by the club, was arrested at his home in Chesterfield last Monday. Computer disks and documents relating to his dealings with the club were seized by Derbyshire Police. Marples was released later in the day pending further inquiries by fraud squad officers. The incident is an ominous prelude to the Football League hearing that begins at Hillsborough today, at which Chesterfield is facing about 70 charges relating to alleged financial irregularities at the club this season. The most damaging of the allegations is that a false contract was drawn up to obtain Luke Beckett for a reduced figure of £150,000 from Chester City. More than 20 witnesses, including four players, will give evidence during the next three days. Former chairman, Darren Brown, who resigned last month, has denied the allegations which could see him banned from the game. Although Chesterfield have led the Nationwide League third division for most of the season and are on the brink of clinching promotion, they can expect a substantial points deduction if found guilty. They could also be demoted from the league.

LINEKER WANTS ENGLISH COACH

Former England striker and now a TV and newspaper identity Gary Lineker claims the ideal international set-up would not see a foreign coach at the helm. Sven Goran Eriksson's new-look England have won three out of three under the guidance of the experienced Swede and hauled a faltering qualifying campaign for the 2002 World Cup back on track. However, Lineker - who scored 48 goals for his country - feels the Football Association would have been better looking closer to home for the new national team coach. Lineker said: "In an ideal world you want an Englishman managing the English team. But with the exception of Terry Venables, who was never going to get the job, there were no obvious candidates - so it makes sense to go with someone like Eriksson." The BBC's football anchorman also revealed that the former Lazio boss' famously cool persona could be frustrating at times. Lineker added: "I've interviewed him and you've got more chance of getting blood out of a stone than getting anything out of him." The top scorer at the 1986 World Cup in Mexico also had praise for England's current captain David Beckham, who has grown in stature under Eriksson's reign and netted the winner against Finland at Anfield last month. "He's actually a pretty good example to youngsters," said Lineker. "He doesn't drink, doesn't go around hitting people, he says the right things, he seems to be very happily married and a good father - he's a pretty good role model.

IVIC TAKES OVER AT MARSEILLE

New sports director Bernard Tapie has sacked Marseille coach Javier Clemente and brought in Croatian Tomislav Ivic. The irrepressibly popular Tapie received a messiah-like reception when he arrived at the club to officially take charge of sporting matters at Olympic Marseille. New appointment, Ivic, led the club between July and October 1991 and is known for his defensive tactics. His immediate role is to keep the club, who are five points clear of the relegation zone with four games to go, in the top flight. Clemente took over from Brazilian Carlos Abel Braga in late November of last year but won only four of his 13 matches in charge. On top of firing his coach, Tapie also warned the players that if they were relegated, not no-one of the 40-man squad would be leaving the club, saying: "If we go down, we'll keep everyone here."

TREZEGUET WANTS OUT

French star David Trezeguet has spoken of being unsettled at Serie A giants Juventus, prompting rumours he may join Marseille in the summer. If Trezeguet was to leave the Italian giants, a number of other clubs in Europe are sure to be interested. Arsenal are also thought to be tracking the striker, who made a US$20million plus switch to Juventus from Monaco last summer. The 23-year-old hitman whose golden goal gave France their Euro 2000 victory last year, said: "Juve have disappointed me. I wouldn't make the same choice if I had to do it again, I was expecting something else. I want to feel more satisfied, I wanted to play at least half of the remaining matches this season. I feel in the same situation as (Vincenzo) Montella (AS Roma) and (Marcelo) Salas (Lazio), who are very talented but have problems finding a first-team place." Coach Carlo Ancelotti responded to Trezeguet's remarks about wanting to leave the club, saying: "I am very happy with his performances, I believe that in the end he'll stay with us next year too."

RANGERS BOSS SLATES FARINA

Rangers Manager Dick Advocaat blasted Aussie soccer chiefs after Ibrox duo Craig Moore and Tony Vidmar were selected to play in last Monday's 22-0 win over Tonga. Frank Farina's Socceroos set a World Cup qualifying scoring record in the ludicrous showdown with the Tongans. But Advocaat's fury that his players were called up, while Premiership stars were left at home, was further inflamed when news of the Australian slaughter filtered through. "Why is it Rangers and Coventry have to supply their players to Australia, and yet Middlesbrough and Manchester City do not? I would like Mr Farina to answer that," said Advocaat. And the match was without doubt one of the most bizarre of their lives as they faced a team who included some players who are not used to playing with boots on. Farina admitted: "Oceania has to seriously look at the World Cup qualifying format for us. "It was embarrassing, no one was a winner. This was a training run-out for us." But Tongan coach, Gary Phillips, joined Advocaat in slaughtering Farina's decision to bring back eight overseas stars, saying: "I do not see the point of some of their superstars coming back for this."

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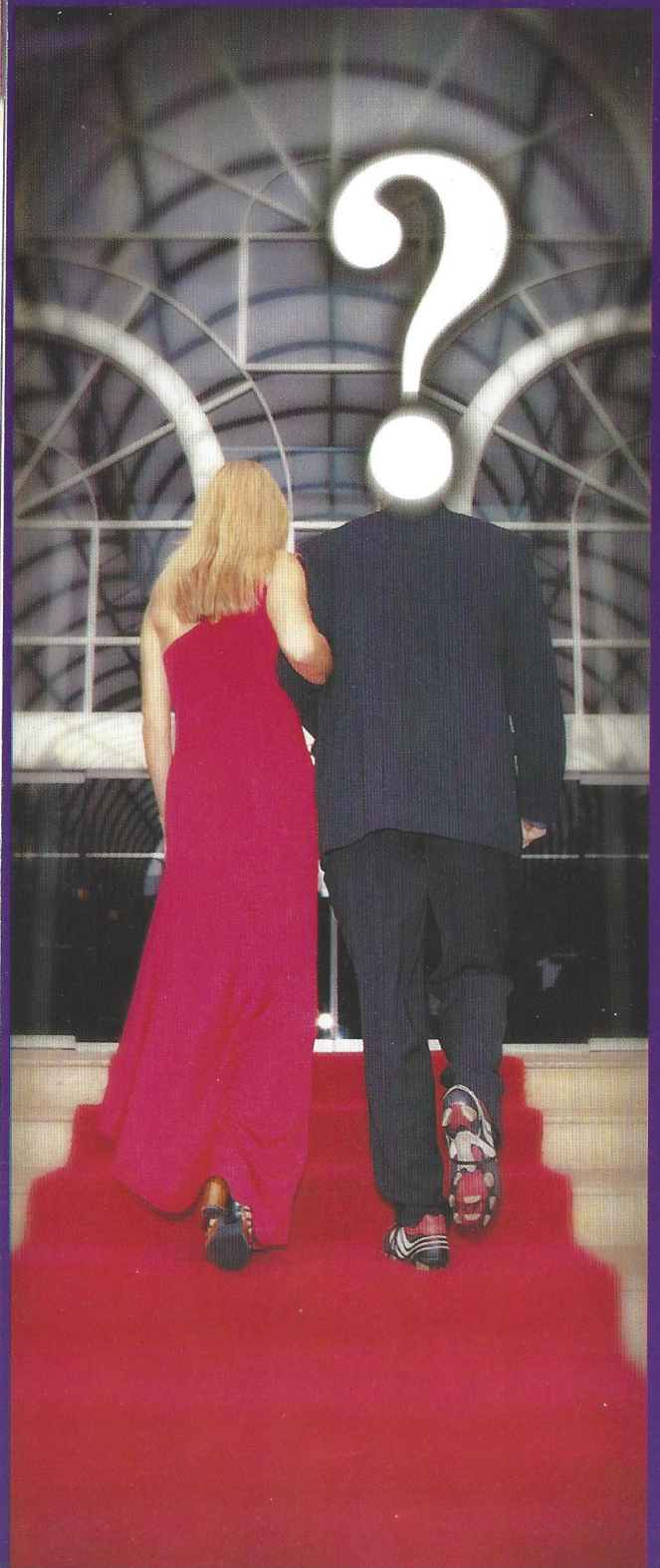

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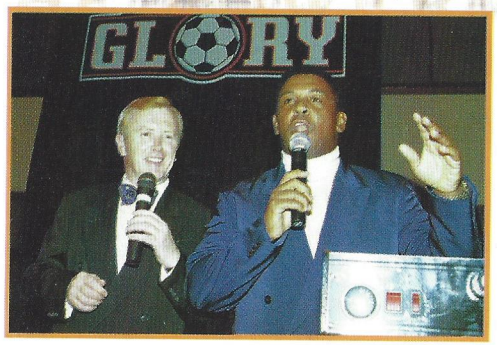
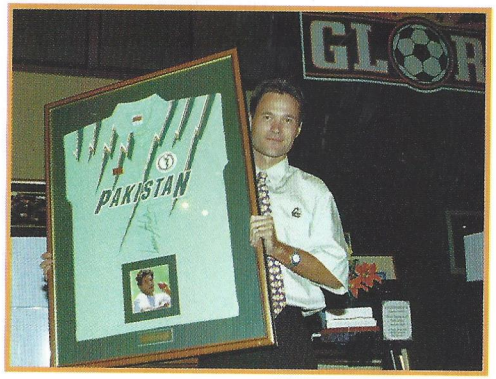


Auction Biggest And Best Yet

Last month's Perth Glory Dinner Auction at The Hyatt Regency was another tremendous success and with 440 people and over 650 items on offer, it was the most successful club auction to date. One lucky bidder drove away in the fabulous Mazda Astina SP20 with PG 9 number plates, valued at $30,965, for $25,000. Other items that made Victorian auctioneer Bill Wellwood earn his money included a playing shirt autographed by the Manchester United "Team of the Decade" squad and coach Sir Alex Ferguson (that went for $5,700), a framed boxing glove signed by Mike Tyson and Evander Holyfield ($4,750) and a framed cricket bat autographed by the late Sir Donald Bradman ($3,500), but the beauty of this auction was that there really was a bargain for everyone. There was also plenty of entertainment between bidding, with various numbers being drawn randomly and the occupants of that table being asked to accept a "table challenge". One of the tables selected happened to be Bernd Stange's and they had to perform their version of the famous "Can-Can" dance. And while their rendition might not have been up for auction, there's no doubt if anyone had managed to catch it on camera, it would have been valued as priceless. Perth Glory would also like to offer a special thank-you to Russell Worton from Swan Taxi Trucks who very kindly donated his time to help transport the goods to The Hyatt Regency and anyone looking for good service will definitely get it if they contact Russell on 9387 3347.



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Perth Glory would like to offer their congratulations to Mike Ryan, who is the state manager of one of the club's sponsors, Cable & Wireless Optus. After many years of excellent service, Mr Ryan has reached his retirement and in recognition of his support of the club, he will be presented with an autographed Glory shirt in the corporate marquee this evening.

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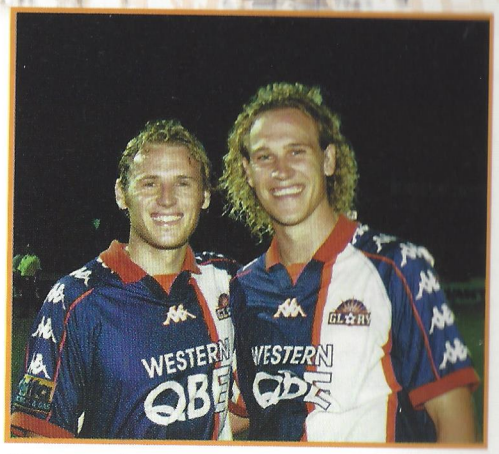
No Rest For PJ And Dion

They might not have been in the Glory squad that travelled to Sydney to play Marconi last round but Dion Valle and PJ Roberts were still working hard last Sunday. The injured pair were out at Banksia Hill Detention Centre, along with one of the club's volunteers, Claudio Iozzelli, taking part in a five-a-side training programme. In total, over 30 youths took part and they were divided into three groups, with Dion going through some shooting exercises, PJ teaching them some ball tricks and Claudio focussing on passing and dribbling.

"It was really well taken by the lads," Claudio said. "Their skill level was quite surprising, it was very high and some of the ballwork was brilliant to watch."

Each group spent 15 minutes on the different skills of the game, before they were split into two small-sided games. At the end of the session, there was a sausage sizzle and both players stayed back to sign posters and other



Glory merchandise. In fact, PJ and Dion stayed well beyond their expected time and Claudio said both should be commended for their professionalism, a sentiment echoed by the centre's officials.

"They had the highest praise for us," Claudio said, "and I think it was definitely a big step forward for soccer in WA."

A Tribute To George Pendreigh

WA soccer has lost one of its great servants in George Pendreigh, who passed away last weekend aged 58. George, a former WAASSA board member and Balga stalwart, was highly regarded across the game, with many radio listeners in the 1980s knowing his gruff Scottish brogue through radio match reports and more recently on soccer shows across the airwaves. For the last six years he has been the editor of British Soccer Week, devoting his immense energy and talent to the game he loved passionately.

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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Perth Glory are now in their fifth season and although we've seen many players move on for various reasons during that time, it's always nice to follow the progress of former players. "Where are they now?" provides an update on some of these players who are still playing in the NSL or overseas.

Danny HAY
- Was not in the Leeds United squad that Deportivo La Coruna 3-0 at home in the first leg of their Champions League quarter-final on April 4 or the team that beat Southampton 2-0 at home a week ago, but played a full game for the Leeds reserve side that won 4-1 at home against Newcastle United reserves on March 27.

Ivan ERGIC
- Played a full game for FC Basel in their 0-0 draw away to FC Zurich on April 1

Danny MILOSEVIC
- Like Hay, was not included in the Leeds side that beat Deportivo La Coruna or Southampton but also played the full 90 minutes in the reserve side's win against Newcastle reserves.

Troy HALPIN
- Round 25: Was replaced after 76 minutes for Sydney Olympic in their 3-1 win at home to Canberra Cosmos.
  Round 26: Played a full game and was cautioned in his side's 3-1 loss away to Wollongong Wolves.

Con BOUTSIANIS
- Round 25: Played a full game for South Melbourne in their 1-0 win at home to Newcastle United.
  Round 26: Played a full game, scored his side's second goal and set up the third in South Melbourne's 3-1 win at home against Sydney United.

Vas KALOGERACOS
- Round 25: Did not play for South Melbourne in their 1-0 victory at home to Newcastle.
  Round 26: Scored South Melbourne's final goal before being replaced after 65 minutes in his team's victory against Sydney United.

James AFKOS
- Round 25: Came on after 88 minutes for Marconi Stallions in their 0-0 draw away to Adelaide City Force.
  Round 26: Was replaced at half-time as Marconi lost 2-0 at home to his former team, Perth Glory.

Vasko TRPCEVSKI
- Round 25: Was replaced after 69 minutes for Newcastle United in their 1-0 loss away to South Melbourne.
  Round 26: Did not play as Newcastle had a bye.

Tony CARBONE
- Played a full game and was cautioned for Marine Castle United in their 2-0 away loss to Woodlands Wellington in the Singapore First Division on March 31.

Ernie TAPAI
- Played a full game and was cautioned for Clementi Khalsa in their 1-1 draw away to Tanjong Pagar United in the Singapore First Division on March 31.

LEEDS UNITED SUPPORTERS CLUB BRANCH - HERE IN PERTH

All you Leeds United supporters out there (come on, there must be a few of you), here's the chance to show your support for former Glory stars, Danny Hay and Danny Milosevic's team. Leeds United's Official Supporters Club have recently given permission to start a branch here in Perth, providing there is sufficient interest shown. Anyone who is interested in joining can receive an information sheet by calling (08) 9307 1971 or e-mail lusc_perth@yahoo.com.au Details of club meetings, activities and subscription fees depends on the number of responses.

THE GLORY GAZETTE

Saturday 14 April 2001 Guest writer Basil Hanna. Volume 1 Issue 13

Back in February, a group of about 70 diehard Glory fans (with the help of some fantastic deals from Traveland, the official Perth Glory members' travel agent) made the long journey across the country to see their side take on high-flying Sydney Olympic. According to all those who went, it was an extremely memorable weekend and in this week's "Glory Gazette", Glory Shed Supporters' Group president, Basil Hanna, talks about the trip, the excitement and the reception they received in Sydney.

When 70 fanatical Glory supporters head over east for a game and meet up with another 50 who have travelled from Brisbane, Melbourne and parts of Sydney, then you have a recipe for a great weekend and a carnival of chanting and singing never before realised in an eastern states soccer ground.

The Glory Shed "Tour of Duty" wasn't just for Shed supporters, indeed the travelling band was made up of a varied range of people from 19 years to 65 years, including virgin travellers as well as veterans of away encounters. It had members of the Glory who've never been in The Shed and even...wait for it, two Golden Members. The common denominator was of course their love for the Glory and boy, did they show that at Belmore Oval on February 18. They also managed to express their feelings for the Glory at airports, every pub in Kings Cross, on public transport, in Sydney parks, restaurants and some more obscure places. Wherever this travelling band went, they had fun and raised a smile or two from the locals.

The reception from the Sydney Olympic fans was fantastic. As the Glory fans entered the Belmore ground and were being escorted to their selected area, the whole grandstand rose as one to applaud these supporters. If we weren't so focused on singing for our team, it would have brought a tear to your eye. The exchange of supporters' memorabilia on the pitch prior to the kick-off set a new challenge to other supporter groups to build relationships between fans. However, this did not stop the Glory fans from outsinging the Sydney contingent shortly afterwards. The travelling fans had an objective to sing for 90 minutes non-stop. It worked and as one Sydney Olympic fan reported on his club's internet the following day, the noise gave him a headache. What better compliment can you give?

The "Tour of Duty" is much more than a game away from home. It starts as the excited fans meet at the airport. Some know what to expect and are excited at the anticipation, others are there for the first time, meeting new people who they will maintain friendships with long after they return home. Once the camaraderie commences, it doesn't stop and the fun keeps moving at a fast pace until you arrive back exhausted late on Monday night. Then there is the developing of photos and the reunion the following weekend and promises of starting to save for next year's tour.

For anyone who has ever wanted to experience an away trip, the tour is the best way to do it, to be amongst many like-minded supporters. But beware, many have said they will only do it once but have become hooked and keep coming back. Next year's "Tour of Duty" will be heading off between the second week in January and the end of March. The most exciting fixture within that time frame will be selected and then the planning begins. Start saving now for a trip you will never forget. Our goal next year is to "Fill The Plane With Glory".

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SHED SUPPORTERS' GROUP FUNCTION

The Glory Shed "End of Season Bash" will be held on Friday, April 27 from 8:00pm until 1:00am at the Northbridge Hotel. There will be entertainment from John Henry (of Novaks fame) and tickets cost $10 for members (which includes entrance, food and the first two drinks) and $15 for non-members (includes entrance and food). Non-members will only be admitted when accompanied by a member. Tickets are limited to 300 and are available by calling Bas Hanna on 0414 916 738 or Mark Johnson on 9307 8267.

Want to voice your opinions about the club? Or share some of your Glorious experiences? Or even your feedback or advice on our publication? Please try to keep all letters to under 200 words and if applicable we will gladly print any accompanying photographs you wish to send in. Then please send your letters to: Glory Mailbag, PO Box 44 Floreat 6014

Good Luck To The Glory From Far Away Lands

Hi Glory,

We're trying to spread the Glory word whilst living back in Europe! We took a break from skiing in Mittenwald and drove 10 minutes down the border with Austria to prove we're in Bernd's homeland! Hope you are warmer in Perth than we are here! Keep on working to get in the top two guys - we're willing you on from the distance!

Jo and Campbell,
GSSC members 168 and 169.

All The Glory And More In Perth

Dear Editor,

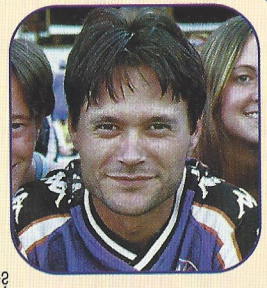
Timing a recent trip to London to coincide with the Glory's away games, I recently watched Crystal Palace v Fulham (March 17) – Stamford Bridge being sold out. At Selhurst Park the stands are so close to the pitch that the players seemed physically bigger and more robust. The pace of the game was faster than we see in NSL matches, though the ball control was much poorer, even allowing for a wet, heavy pitch. To me it seemed that Perth Glory could cope with Crystal Palace, currently languishing near the bottom of their league, but might struggle against the all-round strength of Fulham, charging towards next season's Premier League.

Several differences I noted made me even more appreciative of the standards set for Perth Glory. Their team of dancing girls, for example, was swathed in baggy tracksuits and the short, simple routine was repeated over and over again around the ground. It was nothing like the spectacle to which we are treated. The rest of their entertainment involved loud music. They had no-one like our happy, singing Steve Armstrong, whose contribution to the club has been so outstanding over the years. Nor did Crystal Palace figure prominently in the London papers, while we have Mel Moffat, whose Monday articles, particularly, in The West Australian rival the great Alan Hoby's of The Sunday Express in the fifties and sixties.

Finally, congratulations on all your publications. I devour every word.

P. Aldred, Golden Member

QUIZ



1. How many penalties has Bobby Despotovski missed this season in the NSL?
2. Apart from Vinko Buljubasic, which other current Glory player(s) have played for Melbourne Knights in the NSL?
3. How many weeks have the Glory spent outside the top six this season?
4. How many players have scored their first goal for the Glory this season?
5. What was the result of Bernd Stange's first match in charge of the Glory? (Hint: it was away to Adelaide)
6. Along with Zamalek (Egypt) and Boca Juniors (Argentina), which club will join Wollongong Wolves in Group A at the Club World Championship in Spain later this year?
7. What number did Damian Mori wear and make famous at Adelaide City Force, where he scored most of his NSL goals?
8. Which of the current NSL club(s) have won the most championships?
9. What Croatian club did former Melbourne Knight Mark Viduka play for before transferring to Celtic and then Leeds?
10. Which club knocked Manchester United out of this season's FA Cup?

Answers on page 46

PARTY WITH PJ

Each home game, **SONY** will be giving away a fabulous music CD or an exciting Playstation game to one lucky Glory fan. To be in the running, answer the following simple question and send your answer on the back of an envelope, along with your name and contact details, to SONY Competition, PO Box 44, Floreat, 6014 before Friday April 20.

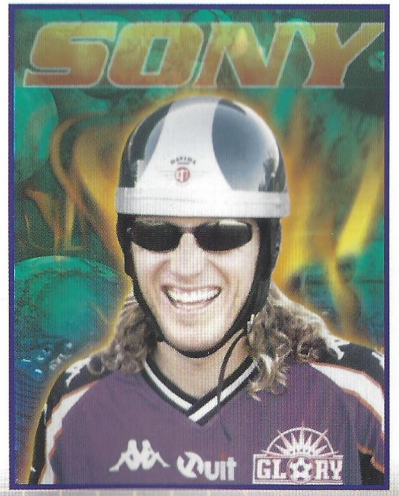
Who is the Socceroos all-time leading goalscorer?

PJ, what did you think of this week's game?

Sitting out my suspension last weekend as the boys tackled Marconi in Sydney, I took the opportunity to check out the new Sony Playstation game - The Emperor's New Groove. I wasn't alone however in my endeavour to conquer this adventurous game. My mates from the local band "Rollerskates" were there to assist me in this tough task!!!! Tuning into their debut EP titled "Tell Your Mother To Tell Her Friends", we engaged in a fiercely competitive battle for Playstation supremacy. I must admit that the Skates, comprising of Jordy, Rufus, Leigh, Stevie, Fu and Gubbs put up a much better showing than myself. It was another poor performance from PJ, however, I must admit my Playstation game skills are improving at a rapid pace. The same cannot be said for Prycey though. The fact that he has a sore ankle must have somehow hindered his finger co-ordination. I'll give him a sympathy vote as a result. The Emperor's New Groove is The Walt Disney Company's new feature animated film that is presently showing in Perth cinemas. It is quite a humorous game that can be enjoyed by both kids, the more maturely aged amongst us, and myself. The game is centred around the Emperor, Kuzco, who is accidentally transformed into a llama. As the player, you must guide Kuzco through eight intriguing worlds and a variety of adventures that are directly taken from the feature film. If the game is anything to go by, the movie must be great! My main problem at the moment is trying to find someone to go to watch the movie with me. None of the boys are keen, even though adults get in for kid's prices!

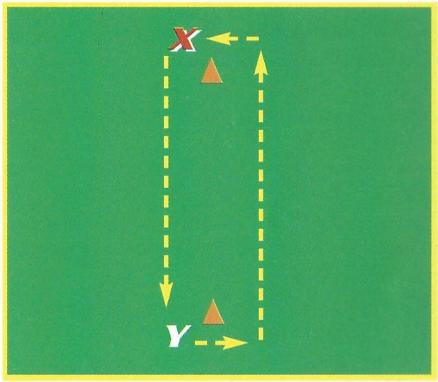
Keep Smiling,

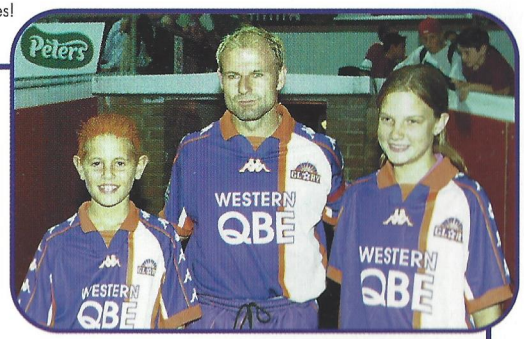
Our last winner was Alana Bosso of Alexander Heights.
The correct answer was 13 goals.



SMARTER THAN SMOKING SOCCER SKILLS WITH MICH d' AVRAY

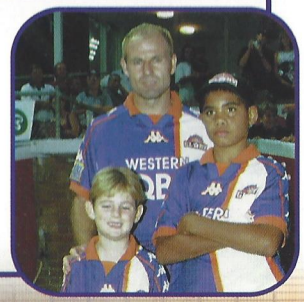
A passing and first touch exercise. Player **X** passes the ball to player **Y**, who must receive the ball behind the cone and move the ball with as few touches as possible to the right of the cone before passing back to player **X** who does the same thing. After a few minutes, rotate so that the receiving player moves the ball to the left of the cone before passing with the left foot.



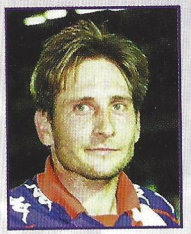


MASCOTS

Our lucky mascots at our last home game against Northern Spirit were Kristian Zorino and Shivuan Matthewman pictured above with Gareth Naven. And at our previous home game against Eastern Pride, the mascots were Steven Armitage and Ricki Marles, pictured right with Naven.



Sony Man Of The Match



Bobby Despotovski continued his rich vein of form, starring in the Glory's last home match to win the Sony Man of the Match award after the 4-1 win over Northern Spirit. Despotovski scored twice himself and had a hand in one of Damian Mori's goals to join his partner-in-crime at the top of the NSL goalscoring list. He was rewarded for his outstanding performances this season by being named on standby for the Socceroos squad that played the Oceania World Cup qualifiers last week. And when he lines up for the Glory's next match, away to Brisbane, he will be making his 150th NSL appearance.

Worth The Wait For Maloney

It's been a frustrating first season in Perth for former Marconi midfield dynamo Brad Maloney, After an exciting start, his appearances on the pitch have been limited by injury and before his comeback last round, the 29-year-old had only played in five of his club's last 17 matches. But when he did take the field on Saturday evening, he achieved a significant milestone - it was his 250th NSL game, and it was made even sweeter by the fact the opponents were his old teammates...not to mention the fact the Glory came out 2-0 winners.

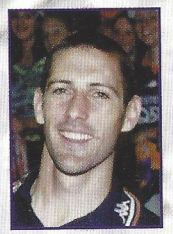
Happy Birthday!

Congratulations to Gary Faria who celebrated his 22nd birthday last Monday (April 9), although Marconi might have thought the versatile Faria, who has played in midfield or at right wing-back this season, was celebrating on Saturday evening at Marconi Stadium as he played a terrific game, which he capped off with a brilliantly taken goal and had another wonderful effort disallowed for offside.

Goals Record Set To Crash

After the disappointing 1-0 loss to Newcastle three weeks ago, Bernd Stange's side are back on track to beat the record 72 goals scored in a regular season, set by Wollongong last campaign. The Glory are currently sitting on 65 with three matches to go after this evening. However, six of those goals have been as a result of two 3-0 "bye victories" due to Carlton's withdrawal from the league, although to balance the ledger, there were 34 games last season, compared to just 30 this time around. Either way, the Glory have surpassed their own previous high of 60, achieved last season.

It's A Baby Girl

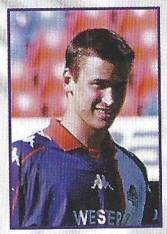


Congratulations to Craig Deans and his partner, Justine, on the birth of their first child, a baby girl. Little Maja was born on Tuesday April 3, and the proud new father will have plenty of teammates to look to for advice with Gareth Naven, Bobby Despotovski, Scott Miller and Alistair Edwards all having had babies in the last year or so.

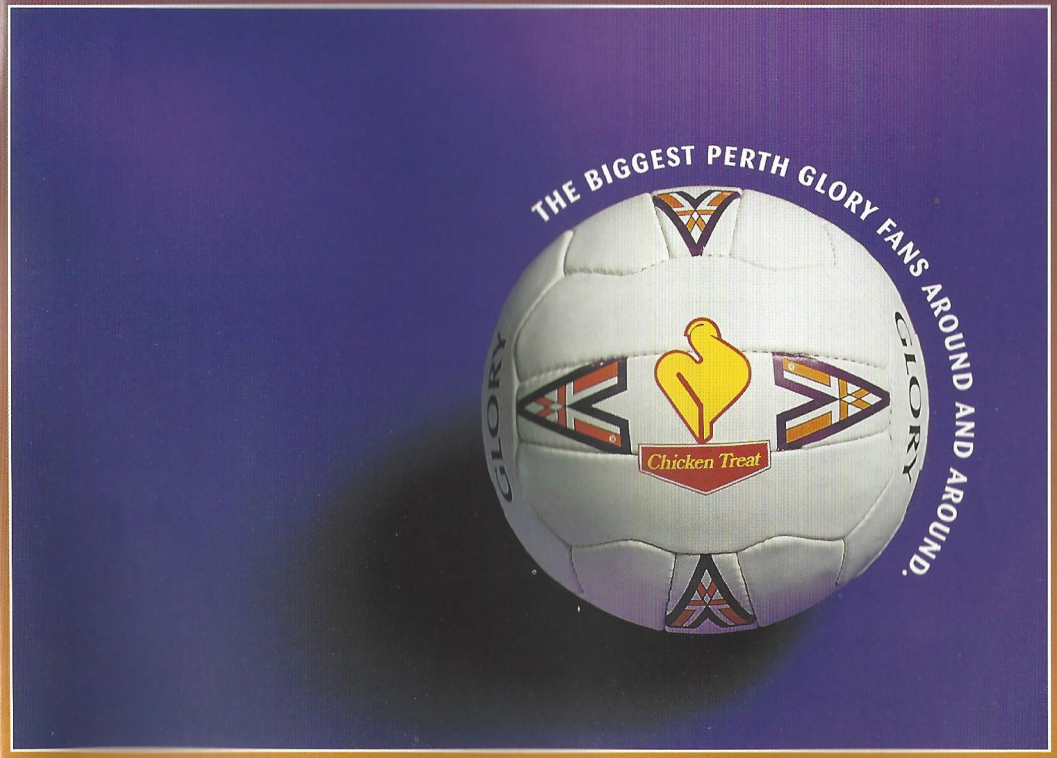
Plenty To Sing And Danze About For Anthony

It might not be the soccer capital of the world but Anthony Danze will be counting down the days to September when the Joeys (Under-17) squad travel to Trinidad and Tobago for the FIFA Under-17 World Championship. The Aussies clinched their position with an emphatic 6-0 drubbing of New Zealand in Auckland last week, with the Glory's Danze scoring the second goal, to record a 9-0 aggregate win.

Harnwell Out, Harnwell In



Jamie Harnwell may have missed last week's victory over Marconi due to suspension, but younger brother Todd kept the family flag flying, making his NSL debut when he came on for the final few minutes in the 2-0 win. Harnwell junior became the 56th player to represent the Glory in an NSL match and the siblings are the fourth set of brothers to play for the club, following Gareth and Craig Naven, Troy and Scott Halpin and Dale and Marc Wingell.

ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1. None 2. Ljubo Milicevic 3. Five 4. Seven 5. Won 1-0 6. Deportivo la Coruna 7. Seven 8. Marconi Stallions and South Melbourne (four each) 9. Dinamo Zagreb 10. West Ham United